

Prof. George Magoha with academic and health industry stakeholders during the launch of the School of Public Health.



# School of Public Health launched

*In March, 2011, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. George Magoha formally launched the School of Public Health and its Strategic Plan for 2011-2013.*

The ceremony, which was held at the College of Health Sciences, was attended by government representatives, donors, academicians and medical practitioners.

The School, which was carved out of the School of Medicine, Department of Community Health, is now a distinct entity, with an expanded mandate to deal with

high demands for training on public health issues. As a School, it will have more autonomy and can fundraise and expand its contribution to public health, research, training and community health development.

The School's three-year strategic plan emphasizes visibility and greater impact on policy development and enhanced

external partnerships. It plans to mobilize resources through an increased donor base.

According to the School's Director, Dr. Dismas Ongore, the School shall offer postgraduate training in Public Health and will also introduce degrees and diplomas in environmental sciences, occupational health sciences and community health. Masters programmes will include epidemiology and biostatistics, disease prevention, control and health promotion, public health nutrition and public health economics.

The launch of the School brings to six the number of Schools and Institutes at the College of Health Sciences.

**...and the Baby is launched**

