



Kano is located in north-western Nigeria. With an estimated population of 13.4 million, it is the most populous of Nigeria's 36 states. The child mortality rate is 103/1000 live births (MICS 2016/17), with less than 50% of children under 5 fully vaccinated and 20% availability of child health cards (MICS 2017).

Key achievements

- The programme purchased and distributed free maternal, newborn and child health drugs and medical consumables worth over 26 Million Naira to 66 supported facilities (13 secondary and 53 primary care health centres) across the state.
- Integrated medical outreach team inserted 107 implants, distributed 159 with oral pills, reached 175 women with injectable contraceptives, 670 with antenatal care services, 415 with Integrated Management of Childhood Illnesses services, 144 with postnatal care services, 128 with routine immunisations, 1736 with out-patient services and referred 50 clients for next level of care in 43 communities across 21 LGAs.
- MNCH2 championed the establishment of the Kano State Contributory Healthcare Management Agency via passage of its bill into law and supported the State Ministry of Health to develop the Contributory Scheme's operational guidelines and benefits package.

Lessons

- Control Room meetings have significantly reduced reporting errors in DHIS2 from 328 HIV positive pregnant women reported in Bichi General Hospital in March 2018 to zero outlier cases in April 2018.
- Staff attrition, transfers and retirements have weakened the performance of 16 Maternal Perinatal Death Surveillance and Response (MPDSR) committees.

Transition and Sustainability

- The State Government has set aside 10 Million Naira for the conduct of MPDSR activities in the 2018 Annual Operational Plan. This will ensure successful transition and sustainability after exit of the programme.
- Saving One Million Lives (SOML) has budgeted 4 Million Naira for the conduct of Biannual Review meetings in collaboration with MNCH2.
- The State Government has developed a Vulnerable Healthcare Plan for the State Contributory Healthcare Scheme that will serve as a guiding framework for health care financing and provision of reproductive maternal, newborn and child health (RMNCH) services to underserved, vulnerable groups.

“*This is the first time I got a (good) District Health Information System (DHIS2) training which will help in enhancing my capacity on data validation rule analysis, dashboard analysis & pivot table creation for proper monitoring and feedback to health facilities*”

- Musa Hassan
M&E Officer
Dawakin Kudu LGA

Priorities for next month

- Strengthen the logistic management information system at state, local government and health facility levels to track the percentage of supported health facilities with minimum stock of RMNCH essential commodities.
- Intensify technical support to Kano Emirate Council Committee on Health (KECCOH) to expand scope of partnership with other programmes and donors.
- Conduct Community Scorecards in 10 selected communities to evaluate satisfaction of healthcare services-provided at healthcare facilities.



MNCH2 Outreach Coordinator provides immunisation at Unguwar Liman Community, Karaye LGA.



births assisted by skilled personnel
281,545



pregnant women making at least 4 ANC visits
600,354



newborns and mothers who received care within 24 hours of delivery by a skilled health care provider
164,716



children fully immunised against vaccine-preventable diseases.
1,264,326



additional women using modern Family Planning methods
402,404