



MNCH2 Monthly Flash Report

November 2017

KATSINA



Katsina State is located in the Sahel Savannah in northwest Nigeria. It has a total population of nearly 6 million. Each ward has at least one functional primary health facility and the state has seen great improvement in some health indicators: delivery by skill birth attendant has risen from 5.1% in 2008 to 20.8% in 2017. However, antenatal attendance stands at 33.40% and immunisation coverage is 6%. The unmet need for child spacing is 29.5% (MICs 2016/2017).

Key achievements

- MNCH2 collaborated with the State Ministry of Health, Nigeria Supply Chain Integration Project (NSCIP), and other implementing partners to inaugurate local logistic management units in all 34 LGAs across the State to support the central logistic management unit in monitoring and ensuring data availability. Each LLMCU is composed of 14 members with the Essential Drugs and Equipment Officers (EDEOs) as heads of the unit.
- To address the lingering issue of human resources for health information system and facilitate equitable distribution of available personnel in the state, the programme supported the HRIS unit of the SMOH to collect and upload recent employee data from facilities across the state.
- To improve the quality of National Health Management Information system (NHMIS) data, the programme distributed data capturing tools across the 34 LGAs of the state.

Lessons

Facility Health Committees' (FHCs) monitoring and supervision of stocks and dispensation of medical consumables are leading to improvements in accountability for and judicious utilisation of medical consumables provided by government and partners in the state.

Increased confidence in public sector facilities, as a result of improved and regular supplies of reproductive, maternal and child health commodities in primary health centres in the state, is leading to more pregnant women and children turning out to access services in health centres instead of private medicine vendors or chemist shops hitherto patronised.

Transition and Sustainability

The State Government procured new laptops for all 34 LGA M&E Officers for data reporting and included the printing of NHMIS data tools in the 2018 State Annual Operational Plan for sustainability.

The State Ministry of Health, in collaboration with Saving One Million Lives (SOML), supported the training of Medical Record Officers and Facility in-charges on NHMIS data tools across the 1,600 health facilities in the state.

Priorities for next month

- Build the capacity of legislators on how to provide effective oversight to enhance implementation of RMNCH interventions.
- Build the capacity of Local Government Area M&E Officers to improve on the use of monthly summary forms and data validation.
- Strengthen information sharing and collaboration between Ministry of Health and partners in the state to achieve Sustainable Development Goals.


“*This is the first time in history of my community that we are witnessing and benefiting from outreach services. We really appreciate the efforts of MNCH2 and we are hoping to receive more.*”


- Alhaji Mohammad
Village Head, Tashar Malama Community
Yandoma ward, Ingawa LGA



Traditional birth attendants equipped with kits after a 4-day training at Daura LGA

 births assisted by skilled personnel
121,020

 pregnant women making at least 4 ANC visits
473,776

 newborns and mothers who received care within 24 hours of delivery by a skilled health care provider
66,044

children fully immunised against vaccine-preventable diseases.
502,640

 additional women using modern Family Planning methods
153,855

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