



Yobe is located in northeast Nigeria and borders four Nigerian states as well as the Republic of Niger. It has a population of 3.4 million. Its economy is mainly based on agriculture. Under-five mortality stands at 102 per 1000 live births, immunisation coverage is 7%, and antenatal care attendance is 26.6%. Most (98.4%) wards have a functional health facility (MICs 2016/2017).

## Key achievements

- MNCH2 supported the Ministry of Religious Affairs (MORA) to conduct one thousand and twenty-six (1,026) rounds of sermon across 34 supported communities.
- 34 state and local government male support group focal persons were trained on how to effectively collect and analyse the monthly group discussion quantitative data across the 17 Local government areas (LGAs).
- Advocacy visit was paid to the Hon speaker and Chairman House Committee on Health Yobe State House of Assembly on the speedy passage of a bill for a law to establish Yobe state drugs and medical consumables agency. (YODMA)
- The programme provided technical support in the conduct of routine immunisation data validation across all primary health centres in the state.

## Lessons

- Regular interface and collaboration between service providers and Medical Records Officers has led to improvements in documenting antenatal care (ANC) and essential care services provided by service providers immediately after delivery thus improving on reported figures for 2 key indicators: ANC 4<sup>th</sup> visit and postnatal care within one day.

## Transition and Sustainability

- Yobe state primary health care management board conducted data validation for routine immunisation data in all primary health centers and secondary health facilities across the 17 LGAs.
- The state primary health care management board inaugurated and oriented the state outreach team to sustain outreach services in the state.

## Priorities for next month

- Support the conduct of data mop up across all the supported health facilities in the state
- Provide technical support to LGAs, Health Promotion Officers (HPOs), and maternal child health coordinators, line ministries and civil societies organisation (CSOs)
- Follow-up with the SMOH on the data quality assurance action plan.
- Support the State Primary Health Care Development Agency (SPHCDA) and State Ministry of Health to establish quality of care teams at LGA level.
- Conduct mentoring visits to improve data quality and reporting across all the primary health facilities.

“ I have never visited health facility for ANC until I learnt its importance during mentoring session for Young Women support Group in my community. I have now seen the difference, I am more healthy in my current pregnancy than I was in the past”.

- Maryam Abubakar – YWSG Member, Dakasko Moijarma, Potiskum LGA.



Cross section of facility health care workers during routine immunization data validation exercise conducted by YSPHCMB.



births assisted by skilled personnel

114,763



pregnant women making at least 4 ANC visits

239,532



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

36,636



children fully immunized against vaccine-preventable diseases.

315,262



additional women using modern Family Planning methods

99,871