



Jigawa is situated in the north-western part of the country with a population of 5,590,272 (Male: 51% Female: 49%). 86% of the state's wards boast of functional primary healthcare facilities. Infant mortality stands at 83 per 1000 live births; unmet need for family planning is 98.7% and the use of contraceptives stands at 1.3% (MICS, 2016).

## Key achievements

- Integration of Jakadan Lafiya (Community Health Ambassador) Initiative with Community Health Influencers, Promoters and Services (CHIPS) programme was accomplished through production of a harmonised work plan that provides a clear blueprint for community level engagement
- Development of State's 2019 annual operation plan that integrates the effort of all development partners to prevent duplication and maximize judicious use of funds
- Development of Community Health Information system for CHIPs intervention in the state through technical support to the State Ministry of Health (SMoH)

## Lessons

- Integrating Community Health Resource Persons especially the Jakadan Lafiya and CHIPS at the community level promotes efficient use of resources at the LGA level and improves community mobilisation for health.

“As a result of the Gidan Dugus incident, the Jigawa State Primary Health Care Development Agency (JSPHCDA) created the concept of a having a focal person responsible for health in every single community across all the 27 LGAs”.

- Alhaji Kabiru Ibrahim, the executive secretary of the Primary Health Care Development Agency

## Transition and Sustainability

- During the month under review the state with the active support of the UK Department for International Development (DFID) funded WINN (working to improve nutrition in northern Nigeria) program conducted monthly meeting of Young Women Support Group (YWWSG) in 3 LGA's
- The State engaged and sensitised traditional leaders on Routine Immunisation, Healthy Timing and Spacing of Pregnancy (HTSP) and Skilled Birth Delivery through the Jakadan Lafia initiative in over 12, 000 communities across the state
- Several activities were re-programmed using Saving One Million Lives (SOML) funds in view of MNCH2 winding down and transition

## Priorities for the next month

- Engage Jigawa state maternal accountability forum (JIMAF) to intensify advocacy on maternal newborn and child health budget release
- Follow up with the House of Assembly for the passage of contributory health care management agency
- Work closely with State led Accountability Mechanism (SLAMs) to advocate for the appointment of SPCHDA board members.
- Pay advocacy visit to the state governor to pay the require 100 Million counter funding for the scale up of Basic Health Care Provision Funds (BHCPF) in the state



MNCH2 Demand side coordinator sensitising Health Ambassador (Jakadan Lafia) at Baraya community Jahun LGA

births assisted by skilled personnel  
**278,114**

pregnant women making at least 4 ANC visits  
**662,595**

newborns and mothers who received care within 24 hours of delivery by a skilled health care provider  
**142,033**

children fully immunised against vaccine-preventable diseases.  
**882,271**

additional women using modern Family Planning methods  
**186,769**