



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 orientation of health care workers on quality of care mentoring visit guidelines
- Quality of Care (QoC) Steering Committee was inaugurated with the support of MNCH2 with a view to providing direction for effective and efficient health care service delivery at the primary health care level.
- Provided technical support to the SMOH in the review and development of social behavioural change materials that integrate Malaria and Reproductive Maternal Newborn and Child Health + Nutrition (RMNCAH+N) at National level
- 300 religious leaders across the 17 Local Government Areas (LGAs) were sensitised on effective ways to sustain community mobilisation on maternal new-born and child health services.

Lessons

Providing a platform of regular interactions among high and low performing facility health committees (FHCs) encourages knowledge and experience sharing that improves FHC's performance

“We are now better informed about the tremendous benefits of Basic Health Care Provision Fund intervention and this will continue to feature in our Friday sermon to prepare our communities for full participation”.

- Imam Abdullahi Sani
Chief Imam Yan Rariya
Mosque Potiskum

Transition and Sustainability

- The State Ministry of Women Affairs (MOWA) has approved the sum of 27 Million naira for women sensitisation and empowerment in the 2019 Annual Operation Plan (AOP)
- Support to Traditional Birth Attendants (TBAs) for mobilising pregnant women for antenatal and facility delivery, previously supported by MNCH2, has been successfully transferred to Nigeria State Health Investment Project (NSHIP) programme. About 49% of NSHIP supported health facilities were piloted for this activity
- MOWA in collaboration with Gender Based Violence (GBV) intervention and Evidence 4 Action (E4A) coordinated the sensitisation of 152 Young Women Support Group members (YWWSG) in 6 LGAs

Priorities for next month

- Orient the Traditional institution on Contributory Healthcare Scheme to improve universal coverage on RMNCH services
- To conduct quality of care mentoring visit to the nine learning sites in the state.
- Support the actualisation of Basic Health Care Provision Funds (BHCPF) through advocacy visit to the relevant stakeholders (State Government and SMOH)
- Continue distribution of demand creation training manuals to all established community structure like SSI, TBAs and Male support groups



Cross section of participants during the inauguration of quality of care steering committee at SMOH conference hall

births assisted by skilled personnel
124,567

pregnant women making at least 4 ANC visits
254,245

newborns and mothers who received care within 24 hours of delivery by a skilled health care provider
51,016

children fully immunized against vaccine-preventable diseases.
332,673

additional women using modern Family Planning methods
109,868