



Yobe is located in northeast Nigeria with a population of 3.4 million and a mainly agrarian economy. Most of the state's wards (98.4%) have a functional health facility; under-five mortality stands at 102 per 1000, immunisation coverage is 7%, and antenatal care attendance is 26.6% (MICs 2016/2017).

Key achievements

- MNCH2 Integrated Reproductive Maternal, Newborn and Child Health services reached over 2,000 people in 12 hard-to-reach communities across four LGAs (Gulani, Karasuwa, Bade and Yunusari).
- The programme supported the State Ministry of Health (SMoH) in installation and training of government officials on the m-Supply Electronic Inventory Control System at the State Central Medical Store.
- The programme achieved a 42% increment in sustainable drug supply value in 4 supported health facilities.

Lessons

- Non-readiness of the Save One Million Lives to collaborate on the Integrated Supportive Supervision (ISS) and data quality assurance has resulted in a relatively low coverage in terms of number of facilities visited.
- Frequent engagements and collaboration between service providers and Medical Records Officers lead to improvements in recording of antenatal (ANC) and essential care services provided immediately after delivery thus improving on reported figures for ANC 4th visit and Postnatal care.

Transition and Sustainability

- To sustain the foundations laid by MNCH2, the Health Reform Foundation of Nigeria (HERFON) has agreed to provide a permanent office to house the State Secretariat of the Accountability Mechanism on MNCH.
- The State Ministry of Health has fully taken over the collecting, collating, analysis and report writing of Data Quality Assessments and Integrated Supportive supervision.

Priorities for next month

- Track the progress made on availability of free MNCH commodities at supported health facilities in the state.
- Step down capacity building training to LGA Health Promotion Officers and Maternal & Child Health Coordinators to ensure smooth transition of community engagement activities in the state.
- Continue engagement with the State Ministry of Health and National Health Insurance Scheme for the attainment of Universal Health Coverage.

“ Although this is my third child, I am proud to be the first woman in this community who attended the ANC clinic, and delivered in the health facility on a new delivery bed. I have made up my mind to mobilise other pregnant women to do the same. Thank you MNCH2 for giving our facility a new look; indeed this will encourage more women to deliver their children in this facility.”

Bilki Mohammed
Community Member, Dikumari
Damaturu LGA



Service providers dispense free RMNCH consumables to women and children at Gwange PHC, Damaturu LGA



births assisted by skilled personnel

68,516



pregnant women making at least 4 ANC visits

173,133



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

19,106



children fully immunised against vaccine-preventable diseases.

213,085



additional women using modern Family Planning methods

64,029