

FAMILY PLANNING 2020 COMMITMENT

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The Government of Nigeria updated its commitment at the [Family Planning Summit in London, UK](#) on July 11, 2017:

COMMITMENT OVERVIEW

The Government of Nigeria in collaboration with its partners and private sector pledges to achieve a modern contraceptive prevalence rate (mCPR) of 27% among all women by 2020.

Anticipated impact

1. 27% mCPR among all women by 2020

COMMITMENT 1: Ensure sustainable financing for the National Family Planning Program.

Anticipated impact

1. TBD

Proposed actions

1. The Federal Ministry of Health (FMoH) obtained approval from the Federal Executive Council to renew the Memorandum of Understanding with UNFPA which will ensure provision of US\$4mil annually from 2017 to 2020 for procurement of contraceptives for the public sector (an increase from the US\$3 mil committed from 2011 to 2014).
2. The Federal Ministry of Health commits to ensuring disbursement of US\$56 mil to the states through the IDA loans and Global Financing Facility from 2017 to 2020. The FMoH is working with state governments, donors and other stakeholders program including health insurance programs through the Basic Health Care Provision Fund to make family planning expenses by households to be reimbursable in the public and private sectors.
3. Nigeria also plans to realize the health financing goals laid out under the National Strategic Health Development Plan, the institutionalization of the support for primary health services provided by the SURE Program, and meet or exceed the Abuja Declaration health financing commitments.
4. The Federal Ministry of Health commits to investments in a robust accountability system to track and report actual domestic resources expenditures at national and state levels for the national family planning on annual basis.

COMMITMENT 2: Improve availability of services and commodities. We commit to taking measures that improve access and create the enabling environment for sexual and reproductive health services across Nigeria, and contribute to improved preparedness and response where humanitarian crises occur

Anticipated Impact

1. TBD

Proposed actions

1. Nigeria stands by the commitment to achieving the goal of a contraceptive prevalence rate of 27% mCPR by 2020 based on the FP Country Implementation Plan (Blue Print 2014); by investing in increasing the number of health facilities providing FP services in the 36 states + FCT from 9,500 as at 2016 to 20,000 by 2020 to reach the target of 13.5 million current users of family planning by 2020
2. We will reform and expand task-shifting policy implementation to include Patent Medicine Vendors and Community Resource Persons to expand access in difficult to reach areas and amongst disadvantaged populations. Deliberate efforts will be made to scale up access to new contraceptive methods including DMPA Sub Cutaneous injection in the public and private sectors including removal of regulatory barriers that impede access.
3. We will continue to invest in and expedite the transformation of the public health sector last mile distribution of health commodities using integrated informed push models through involvement of the private sector capacity for optimization of transportation, haulage and tracking of commodities using electronic logistics management solutions.
4. We commit to taking measures that improve access and create the enabling environment for sexual and reproductive health services across Nigeria, and contribute to improved preparedness and response using the Minimal Initial Service Package for sexual and reproductive health where humanitarian crises occur

COMMITMENT 3: Build partnerships to improve access

Anticipated impact

Proposed actions

1. We will invest in working with local and international Non-Governmental Organizations, Civil Society Organisations, Faith Based Organisations, Traditional and Religious leaders as well as other Government line ministries and parastatals to address socio-cultural barriers and limitations to family planning services in communities.
 2. We will leverage community structures such as Ward Development Committees around the 10,000-functional primary health care centres to promote Behavioural Change Communication messages to foster positive perceptions about family planning.
 3. We will work with the Ministry of Youth and Ministry of Education to ensure that age appropriate information on sexual reproductive health is provided to young people through implementation of the Family Life Health Education Curriculum in and out of schools including investments in provision of youth friendly services in traditional and non-traditional outlets
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The following text summarizes the commitment made by Dr. Muhammad Ali Pate on behalf of the government of Nigeria at the London Summit on Family Planning on July 11, 2012.

Nigeria commits to increase CPR by 2% every year to achieve 36% by 2018. This will avert 31,000 maternal deaths and 1.5 million child deaths and save more than 700,000 mothers from injuries or permanent illness due to childbirth.

POLICY & POLITICAL COMMITMENTS

Nigeria will act to improve equity and access to family planning for women with lowest socio-economic status which includes promoting policy formulation and actions that support maternal and child health at all levels, and partnering with the private sector, civil society, traditional and religious institutions, and development partners.

FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Nigeria commits to provide an additional US \$8.35 million annually (current US \$3 million) over the next four years (2016) for the procurement of reproductive health commodities. This is an increase of \$33.4 million over the next four years, or 300%. Nigeria will work with the state and local governments to secure complementary budgets for family planning and reproductive health service delivery. Nigeria also plans to realize the health financing goals laid out under the National Strategic Health Development Plan, the institutionalization of the support for primary health services provided by the SURE Program, and meet or exceed the Abuja Declaration health financing commitments.

PROGRAM & SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITMENTS

Nigeria commits to train at least 3,700 community health workers (CHWs) to deliver the range of contraceptives, particularly long-acting and reversible methods (LARMs) and support task shifting so CHWs in rural areas can provide multiple methods. Nigeria plans to focus on education, especially education of girls, and build on the impact of market interventions. The Nigerian Government will improve the supply of contraceptives in the country through stimulating the private sector; lowering the price of contraceptives through removal of import duties and other regulatory barriers; and strengthening the in-country logistics system that ensures commodity availability at the facility level. On the demand side, Nigeria will increase awareness and demand for family planning services. Finally, Nigeria will use social marketing to mitigate socio-cultural barriers such as preference for large families, religious restrictions, and women's lack of decision-making power.