# STRATEGIC FOCUS

Active Strategic Scale-up of Comprehensive HIV Services: CDC's office in Nigeria was launched in February 2001, and provides technical leadership and assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) and implementing partners to scale up HIV testing, treatment and care, and prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV (PMTCT) services, as well as reaching key populations with high prevalence and burden of HIV.

**Strengthening Laboratory Systems and Networks:** CDC provides technical leadership and assistance to build in-country capacity for high-quality national laboratory services and systems to assist with the rapid expansion of HIV treatment, diagnosis, and care as well as serve as a foundation for a national reference lab for TB and other diseases.

**Strengthening Public Health Systems:** CDC provides technical leadership and assistance to the MOH to strengthen epidemiology, surveillance, laboratory, blood safety, operations research, and workforce capacity –essential components for a strong, sustainable public health system.

## KEY ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**Prevention of Mother-to-Child HIV Transmission (PMTCT) Support:** Working with health facilities' staff and nine local partners 3,216 sites were established and are offering PMTCT services across Nigeria. Between October 2015 and September 2016, HIV testing and counseling were provided to over 2 million pregnant women and antiretroviral therapy (ART) to 57,421 HIV-positive pregnant women to prevent mother-to-child transmission.

**HIV Testing, Counseling (HTC) and ART Services:** CDC working with local partners across the country provides high quality HIV testing services. Between October 2015 and September 2016, CDC and partners, provided HIV testing and counseling to over 8.7 million people across Nigeria of which 116,482 were found to be positive and referred for treatment. ART and HIV services and laboratory support for diagnosis and monitoring of HIV-positive patients.

**TB/HIV** Integration: CDC continues to provide technical guidance to partners to ensure TB/HIV collaborative activities are strengthened. Between October 2015 and September 2016, CDC and partners have screened about 515,455 people living with HIV for TB signs and symptoms of TB; 10,287 TB patients were diagnosed with HIV and placed on HIV therapy.

**TB Infection Prevention and Control:** CDC has scaled up TB infection control program across all PEPFAR supported facilities in the country. The ongoing support for the TB infection control interventions has ensured consistent implementation to protect healthcare workers and patients from TB and other air borne infections. With the technical support from CDC, the MOH has incorporated TB BASICS into the national TB/HIV training modules for Health care workers.

Care and Support: CDC through our partners, provides quality HIV care and support services to people living with HIV, both pre-ART and those on ART. In FY16 (October 1, 2015 and September 30, 2016) 516,042 patients including children received a minimum of one clinical service, while almost 300,000 Orphan and Vulnerable Children were provided with a minimum of one care service (over the one year period).

## **Key Country Leadership**

President: Muhammadu Buhari

Minister of Health: Isaac Adewole

U.S. Ambassador: W. Stuart Symington

PEPFAR Coordinator: Shirley Dady

CDC/DGHT Director: Mahesh Swaminathan

#### **Country Quick Facts**

Per Capita GNI: \$2,820 (2015)

Population: 182.2 million (2015)

Under 5 Mortality: 109 / 100,000 live births (2015)

Life Expectancy: 53 years (2014)

### **Global HIV/AIDS Epidemic**

Estimated HIV Prevalence (Ages 15-49): 3.1% (2015)

Estimated AIDS Deaths (Age ≥15): 180,000 (2015)

Estimated Orphans Due to AIDS: 1,800,000 (2015)

Reported Number Receiving Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) (Age ≥15): 828,867 (2015)

# Global Tuberculosis (TB) Epidemic

TB Treatment Success Rate: 87% (2015)

Estimated TB Incidence: 322 / 100,000 (2015)

Estimated Who are HIV Positive: 17% (2015)

# **Country Staff: 87**

Locally Employed Staff: 87 Direct Hires: 7 Fellows & Contactors: 0



