



**PAS KADUNA CSOs
ADVOCACY ENGAGEMENT
TO ADDRESS THE
INADEQUATE RI FUNDING
IN THE KADUNA STATE
PROPOSED 2021 HEALTH
BUDGET**

**THE KADUNA STATE HOUSE OF
ASSEMBLY, KADUNA
11TH NOVEMBER, 2020**



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PAS CSO COALITION PARTNERS IN KADUNA STATE

The CSOs coalition of the Partnership for Advocacy in Child and Family Health at Scale, (PAS), project in Kaduna State consists of Integrated Initiative for Grassroot Empowerment Support, IIGES; National Association of Nurse and Midwives of Nigeria, NANNAM, Global Initiative for Women and Children, GIWAC, Maintaining Family Health Support, MAFAHSU and Planned Parenthood Federation of Nigeria, PPFN. The coalition is meant to generate research and use the evidence to conduct advocacies to the executive and the legislature in the state on child and family health issues.



PAS KADUNA STATE (KD) COALITION

The PAS project in Kaduna state is implemented by six PAS partners;

- Global Initiative for Women and Children (GIWAC-PAS)
- National Association of Nigeria Nurses and Midwives (NANNAM-PAS)
- Planned Parenthood Federation of Nigeria (PPFN-PAS)
- Maintaining Family Care and Empowerment Initiative Group (MAFAHSU-PAS)
- Initiative for Integrated Grassroot Empowerment and Support (IIGES-PAS)



THE ISSUE

The proposed 2021 health budget of Kaduna State proposed N35bn proposed for the health sector. The proposed allocation for the health sector is N4 billion less than the N39bn budget in the revised 2020 budget. This represents a 10.28% decrease over the previous year. Routine Immunization has a proposed allocation of N41 million in the 2021 proposed budget, a decrease of over N159 million from N200,00,000 million allocated in 2020. This reduction in the RI counter funding in the state would not only discourage/delay the donor

to fulfil their part of the agreement, it sends a wrong signal to other potential parties interested in supporting the government in the same course. However, with the government revenue not forthcoming, it could lead to underfunding of the RI activities in the state. When this happens, most under-5 children may not be vaccinated, hence, creating a potential risk for the outbreak of some other preventable diseases in the state.



THE PAS RESPONSE

The CSOs of the PAS Kaduna Coalition met and mapped out a comprehensive advocacy strategy to address this issue. The objective of the Kaduna state RI advocacy strategy is to advocate for adequate funding to RI to the required level of N200 million as contained in MOU between Kaduna State government and partners

THE PAS KADUNA STATE CSO ADVOCACY STRATEGY

The advocacy strategy is a saturation approach targeting multiple stakeholders at executive and legislative domains of government.





In the State Assembly PAS Kaduna CSO coalition targeted:

- Chairman, Kaduna State House of Assembly committee on Health, Honorable Ali Kalat
- Chairman, KDSHA committee on Appropriation, Honorable Ahmed Muhammed
- Chairman, KDSHA committee on Contributory Health Scheme, Honorable Samuel Ubankato
- Secretary, KDSHA committee on Appropriation, Honorable Awwal Abdulrahman

Venue of advocacy visit was at the Kaduna State House of Assembly, Kaduna

PHOTO BRIEF



Group photo session: PAS Coltion lead - Alh Mustapha Jumare with Chairman, Kaduna State House Committee on Health, Honourable Mr Ali Kalat and his counterpart on Appropriation, Alhaji Ahmed Mohammed & the Secretary of the Appropriation Committee, Alh Awwal Abdulrahma



House Committee Chairman on Health, Mr Ali Kalat with PAS Coltion lead, Alh Mustapha Jumare during the advocacy visit at the Kaduna State House of Assembly



PAS Coltion lead with the House Committee Chairman on Appropriation, Alhaji Ahmed Mohammed



PAS Coltion lead with the Secretary of the Appropriation Committee, Alh Awwal Abdulrahma

The Project Director, PAS Kaduna coalition informed the legislators of the following:

- Maternal, Neo-Natal and Child Health, MNCH line was allocated N18,040,000 only in the 2021 budget proposal. This was a -4.55% reduction when compared to N18,900,000 allocated for the same MNCH in the revised 2020 budget.
- Routine Immunization line was reduced from N200,00,000 million in 2020 to N41,000,000 in 2021.



The PAS coalition informed the legislators of their demand for adequate funding for the health sector in Kaduna state in line with the to the N200m agreed under the tripartite partnership arrangement in the PHC- MoU.

In his response, the Chairman, Kaduna State House Committee on Health, Honorable Mr. Ali Kalat and his counterpart on Appropriation, Alhaji Ahmed Mohammed respectively, thanked the team for their visit and promised to ensure that the N200 million provision of RI is appropriated for in the 2021 proposed budget.



While the engaging the Legislature, the PAS CSO Coalition members also secured an appointment for an advocacy engagement with the State Commissioner of Health. In addition, the PAS CSOs adopted the strategy of leverage its connection with the Open Government Partnership (OPG) to engage the former Commission of Health to use his influence to with the current Commissioner to increase the RI line to the optimal level.

THE PAS ADVOCACY STRATEGY IN THE EXECUTIVE





OUTCOMES

- The House Committee Chairmen of Health and Appropriation pledged to revisit the 2021 RI proposal
- The PAS CSO coalition also secured membership in the upcoming public budget hearing to further advocate
- The former and current Commissioners of Health met and promised to restore the RI budget

NEXT STEP – CONSTITUENCY MOBILIZATION

The Kaduna State PAS coalition scheduled a 30 minutes Radio Program to discuss the 2021 proposed RI funding and its implications to the state (Friday 13th November 2020 at 3pm CAT)