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HEALTHCARE REDEFINED: EDO'S VISION

Dear Readers,

Under the visionary Leadership of His Excellency, the Executive Governor of Edo State, Mr. Godwin Obaseki, a revolutionary transformation in Primary Healthcare in Edo is underway.



Gone are the days when Primary health centres were regarded as care for the poor. Today, with Primary Healthcare Centres now rebranded as Government Clinics managed by the Edo State Primary Healthcare Development Agency (EDSPHCDA), a new era of accessibility and quality has dawned upon us. We've embraced innovation, leveraging technology to build gaps and extend our reach to every corner of society.

Join us as we unravel the tale of our activities, transformative programs and cutting-edge innovations that are reshaping the fabric of Primary healthcare delivery in Edo State.



Message From The Executive Secretary, EDSPHCDA DR. OMOSIGHO, IZEDONMWEN

In 2024, I am thrilled to extend a heartfelt welcome to all our readers out there. This year holds such a great promise for us at Edo State Primary Healthcare Development Agency (EDSPHCDA), with some plans underway to introduce transformative initiatives for the betterment of Edo people.

First and foremost, I must say a huge thank you to his Excellency, the Executive Governor of Edo State, Mr Godwin Obaseki whose unwavering commitment to healthcare revitalization has laid a good foundation for our ambitious agenda.

This year 2024, Under the leadership of his Excellency, we have witnessed some significant upgrade in health infrastructure, the enhancement of insurance coverage to alleviate the financial burden, especially amongst the elderly.

Looking ahead, one of our key objectives in 2024 is embarking on a journey of excellence with a firm focus on data and quality management. In our relentless pursuit of providing top tier healthcare services to our

communities, we understand the pivotal role that data plays in informing decisions, enhancing efficiency and ultimately saving lives. That's why this year, we are doubling down on our commitment to harnessing the power of data to improve service delivery.



Equally crucial to our mission is the continuous development of our health workforce. Through targeted training programs, we are empowering our staff with the skills and knowledge needed to excel in an ever evolving health landscape.

Morever, we are committed to also raising the standard of healthcare delivery by pursuing International Organization for Standidization IS 9001:2015 Quality Management System (QMS) certification for a minimum 10 cilinics Managed by EDSPHCDA. This will serve as evidence to our dedication to upholding the highest standards of quality safety and efficiency in the services we provide at the facilities.

EMBRACING THE NEW DAWN WITH IMPACTFUL INITIATIVES.

Furthermore, we are currently updating the branding of our clinics to reflect a more inclusive and comprehensive healthcare approach, transitioning from the designations it was previously known for, such as "maternity" primary health centers" to clinics managed by the Edo State Primary Healthcare Development Agency (EDSPHCDA).

In May 2024, we will partner with the National Primary Healthcare Development Agency (NPHCDA) and some of our other technical partners to introduce the Human Papiloma (HPV) Vaccine into routine immunizations with the focus on protecting young girls aged 9 to 14 from cervical cancer.

From communities, to bustling urban areas, our doors are open, our services accessibility to everyone.

As we strive to bring healthcare closer to the doorstep of every Edo citizen, we are on the cusp of launching a home based care system that will revolutionize the delivery of healthcare services making them more accessible to individual needs.

Finally, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to our Board of Directors, particularly the Chairman of the Board, Dr. Felix Ogedegbe, our technical partners, stakeholders and the entire staff of EDSPHCDA whose tireless efforts and the unwavering support continue to drive our mission forward.

Together, we will ensure that our clinics stand as a beacon of health and wellness, serving the people of Edo State.





THE FIRST LADY OF EDO STATE, HER EXCELLENCY, MRS
BETSY OBASEKI COMMISSIONS FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
GIRLS COLLEGE (FGGC) CLINIC MANAGED BY EDO STATE
PRIMARY HEALTHCARE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
(EDSPHCDA).

She further noted the significance of the clinic's establishment as a means of giving back to her almamater and ensuring that students have access to topnotch healthcare services.

The students, in a delightful display of Benin cultural heritage, entertained the guest with traditional dance expressing profound gratitude to the First Lady for bringing quality healthcare to their school.

Dr Izedonmwen guided the First Lady and guests on a tour of the newly constructed clinic, showcasing the state- of-the-art facility.





In a remarkable commitment to education and healthcare, the First Lady of Edo State, led the commissioning of the Federal Government Girls College (FGGC) clinic in Benin City on Monday, March 4th, 2024.

Representing the Governor, His Excellency Mr. Godwin Obaseki, Mr Osarodion Ogie the Secretary to the State Government, lauded Mrs Betsy Obaseki for her steadfast commitment to the well-being of the girl chid, education and healthcare.

In her address, Mrs Betsy Obaseki expressed her heartfelt gratitude to all attendees, highlighting the Governor's resolute dedication to healthcare.





Dr. Izedonmwen stated that the FGGC clinic heralds the dawn of a new era in healthcare development.



The Basic Healthcare Provision Fund (BHCPF); a groundbreaking initiative of the Federal Government of Nigeria is scripting success stories in Edo State.

From 2019 where it all begun till date over 140 BHCFF facilities have been established in Edo. The program promises not just quarterly financial resources to improve the Government clinics but also serves as a lifeline to the most vulnerable members of our society, such as Pregnant women, children under 5, the elderly, the physically challenged as well as the poorest of the poor.



Upon registration, these individuals receive an Edo State Health Insurance Scheme Card at the facility, this card becomes a gateway for accessing the Basic Minimum Package of Health Service, entirely free of charge whenever the require health services.

Let's blow our trumpets

Edo State proudly showcases a remarkable surge in service utilization of the BHCPF from a modest 1 (0.1) % in march 2022 to 9331 (22.05) % in December 2023. The community trust in BHCPF is not just growing, it's soaring, News spread fast from the people utilizing it, echoing the effectiveness of the services delivered.



We have witnessed the celebration of lives miracles within the walls of our BHCPF facilities such as free deliveries

Quarterly financial allocations are utilized to increase the functionality and effectiveness of our clinic ensuring successful impactful healthcare infrastructure as well as essential drugs and logistics and to meet the needs of the clinic in other for them to deliver on their mandate.



ECHOES OF WELLNESS: EDSPHCDA ADVOCATING HEALTH ACROSS EDO.



At EDSPHCDA, alongside our technical partners, our health educators go into communities to create awareness on critical public health concerns, amidst the town hall meetings, schools, churches, mosques, parks, recreational centers. Their voices reverberate across the communities, amplified by microphones and public address systems to advocate for healthy living and propel communities in Edo towards a healthier future for all.

















AN EVENING WITH THE ES: AWARD NIGHT.

EDSPHCDA pulled out all stops in a grand celebration titled "A Day Out With the ES" to mark the end of the year and also to celebrate partners and key stakeholders in the Primary Healthcare Landscape. The festivities which included an award presentation to staff and partners kicked off on the 15th of December, 2023 at the Horatio Marque in GRA, Benin City creating a spectacle that was nothing short of spectacular.

















GOVERNMENT CLINICS MANAGED BY EDSPHCDA.

Welcome to a new era of healthcare management overseen by EDSPHCDA, these clinics (formerly referred to as PHC) under the leadership of His Excellency the Executive Governor of Edo State Mr. Godwin Obaseki have been reconstructed/refurbished to serve the healthcare needs of Edo people.



OLUKU CLINIC



EVBUOTUBU CLINIC

ARUOBGA CLINIC

UKBEKUN CLINIC



IDOGBO CLINIC

EYAEN IMMUNISATION HALL

OVIOGBIE STAFF QUARTERS



EDSPHCDA CELEBRATES WORLD CANCER DAY, 2024

EDSPHCDA partners with World Health Organization (WHO), Breast Cancer Hub, Association of Public Health Physicians of Nigeria (APHPN) Edo State Chapter, Fight Cancer Global, Oke Creative Future Foundation to celebrate World Cancer Day 2024. The theme of year 2024 is "Close the Care Gap" reflecting the collective commitment of the Agency and it's partners in addressing gaps in cancer care.

The highlight of the day was the road walk where staff and partners took a walk around airport road and the ring road axis of Benin City spreading awareness on Cancer.







EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

STAFF OF THE MONTH



MRS ROSEMARY IYEKPOLOR

Nurse Abdul Clinic,
Orhionmwon
November 2023 Staff of
the Month.



MISS OSEDEBAMEN IFADA

TA to the Executive Secretary,
EDSPHCDA on Strategy
Policy, Project, Performance
Management.
December 2023 Staff of
the month.



MRS OMOGUI JOY
Nurse, Odighi Clinic,
Ovia North East
January 2024 Staff of the
month.



MRS JOSEPHINE UWAIFO
Nurse, Ujoelen Clinic,
Ekpoma, Esan West LGA.
February 2024 Staff of the
Month.

Welcome to EDSPHCDA Employee Spotlight where we shine our light on exceptional employees for their unwavering dedication to their roles in the Primary Healthcare Landscape.

Highlighted in this page are the outstanding staff members recognized as the best staff of the month from November 2023 to February 2024. EDSPHCDA commends them for their exemplary work and commitment to excellence.

Your contribution to Primary Healthcare delivery does not go unnoticed.



COMMUNITY HEALTH INFLUENCERS PROMOTERS AND SERVICES TRAINING WORKSHOP.

Spanning from December 4th to 15th 2023, EDSPHCDA Collaborated with National Primary Healthcare Development Agency (NPHCDA) to launch a 12-Day training of trainers workshop on Community Health Influencers Promoters and Services (CHIPS) in Benin City.

The training employed various methodologies, including Participatory Learning, Role play, Demonstrations, Practical house mapping and numbering aimed at enhancing the CHIPS Agent's understanding of their coverage areas, as well as equipping them with essential behaviour communication and counseling skills necessary during home visits.

The CHIPS Personnel work closely with healthcare service providers, mobilizing communities and members to utilize available healthcare services at the facilities.





BASIC EMERGENCY OBSTETRIC CARE TRAINING OF 100 NURSE MIDWIVES.

EDSPHCDA in collaboration with NPHCDA, Hospital Management Agency, Edo State Ministry of Health, School of Nursing Edo State, NANNM organized training for 100 nurse midwives from 15th to 22nd December, 2023 at Joopsa.

There were basic trainings of 50 adhoc nurse midwives and 50 nurse midwives already in the system to update their skills on how to avert death and disability among pregnant women and newborn babies.

The midwives were also taken on a two day visit to Edo Specialist Hospital and Hospital Management Agency for life practicals at the labour/lying ward immunization centers.

Currently the newly recruited Adhoc midwives have been posted to their Primary Place of Assignment at the LGA.





EDSPHCDA COMMENCES REBRANDING TRAINING FOR HEALTH WORKERS

TOP NEWS

On the 2nd of February, 2024, EDSPHCDA initiated a comprehensive training program for its staff at Oluku Clinic reconstructed by His Excellency, the Executive Governor of Edo State, Mr. Godwin Obaseki.

The training was aimed at reorienting the workforce in alignment with the new vision and operational standards set forth for the clinic.

This was necessary because of the significant investments and efforts put forth by Governor Obaseki in revitalizing healthcare infrastructure, strengthening the workforce, and enhancing service delivery across the state.

The training sessions were facilitated by seasoned professionals covering various topics including Quality Management, Professionalism, Ethics, Teamwork, E- Government Utilization, E-clinic software utilization, and data management.



EXCITING NEWS ALERT

At EDSPHCDA we are currently rolling out monitors to our Government clinics, all geared up to ensure our facilities harness the power of the e-clinic system by providing quality healthcare.

Our tablets are programmed with the smart health app which guides our Community Health Extension Workers (CHEWS) prioriotize patient visits and follow ups, proper enumeration of household data and health records in preparation for our home based care services.









HPV VACCINE IS
HIGHLY EFFECTIVE IN
PREVENTING
CERVICAL CANCER
AND OTHER TYPES OF
CANCERS CAUSED BY
THE HUMAN
PAPILLOMAVIRUS
(HPV).





EDO STATE LAUNCHES TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) FOR HUMAN PAPILLOMA VIRUS (HPV) VACCINATION.



In a significant step to safeguard the health of young girls in Edo State, the Edo State Primary Healthcare Development Agency orchestrated the inauguration of a Technical Working Group (TWG) for the introduction of Human Papilloma Virus Vaccination into routine immunization.

The gathering convened illustrious members of the society from diverse sectors including health, education, youth, civil society, associations, media, religious, and traditional sectors. HPV vaccination introduction into routine immunization is expected to commence from May 2024 in Edo State and is targeted towards girls age 9 to 14 years of age.



EDSPHCDA CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY. MARCH 8, 2024 Inspire Inclusion



MRS NENE OLAYE
Head, Public Relations
Unit

Today, we celebrate the power of being a woman, we carry within us the strength of generations past and the resilience to face whatever challenges comes our way.



MRS WINIFRED IDELE
Admin Officer 1

Empowering women isn't just about giving them a seat at the table, it is about recognizing the power they bring to every aspect of life, from nurturing families to driving changes in board rooms, our influence knows no bounds.



MRS IRENE UABOR
EDSPHCDA Health
Educator

Being a woman means
wearing many hats with
grace and determination, we
juggle careers
motherhood and passions
with an unwavering
commitment of excellence.



MRS ELFREDA OMOGUN
State Immunization Officer

We are not just care givers, we are the nurturers of dreams, every meal we cook, every tears we wipe, every words of encouragement we offer, shapes the world in ways unseen but deeply felt.



MISS NKECHI ESEGBUE
EDSPHCDA Volunteer

Our strength lies in our ability to uplift each other, let's not compete but collaborate, knowing that when one woman rises, she paves the way for countless others to follow.



MRS ITOHAN BAZUAYE
Focal Person NonCommunicable Diseases

We are warriors, not just in the workplace but in ever sphere of life, our voices are a force to be reckoned with, and when we unite, we create ripples of change that reverberates across the globe.

On this international women's day, let us honour the women who came before us, the women standing beside us and the women who follow in our footsteps.

Together we rise!!!

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We extend our heartfelt appreciation to the Executive Governor of Edo State Mr. Godwin Obaseki, for his unwavering dedication to improving healthcare accessibility for all. His visionary leadership has transformed primary healthcare from being perceived as care for the poor to being perceived as essential healthcare for everyone.

As we forge ahead, let us continue to work collaboratively towards a shared goal of a healthier and more prosperous Edo State. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in our journey towards better health and wellbeing for all.

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