

EPIAFRIC'S TRACK RECORD

ABOUT EPIAFRIC

EpiAfric is a globally competitive, efficient, transparent and financially sustainable African health consultancy group. We provide a service of uncompromising competence, tenacious integrity, and an in-depth local understanding of the African context, enriched by a culture of delivery from our international experience and underpinned by a socially aware ethos. Our consulting work focuses on improving population health through expert research and data analysis, project design and evaluation, health communication, advocacy and training. We enable ready access to expertise in public health; epidemiology; research; advisory services and post graduate professional development. We also offer complementary services and draw on key strategic partners to support our vision. EpiAfric Consultants together have more than five (5) decades of experience in public health research, operations and project management across Africa and Europe. In addition to our public health consulting work, our not-for-profit sister organisation, (Nigeria Health Watch) focuses on communication and advocacy for health.

Our services are offered in an ecosystem of five complementary areas of activity:

1. Consultancy Services – primarily in strategy development, evaluation and implementation science.
2. Courses and Professional Development – content development, bespoke and generic courses
3. Conferences and Events – from concept development, to curation and management
4. Communication – from concept development to design and implementation.
5. Resources – building the largest online repository of health publications about Nigeria.

Our services are targeted at five primary client groups:

- Government institutions: strengthening health systems by improving the quality of service delivery
- Development agencies: collaborating to deliver their programmes/projects
- The Private sector: providing health sector project/programme design, implementation and evaluation
- Health professionals: improving their competence in delivering health services and Consumers: stimulating demand for quality health services.

Client: FHI360

Title: To support documentation and dissemination of the Integrated Humanitarian Assistance Project to Internally Displaced Persons (IHAP+) Project Plus

Period: 2021

- Deliverables:**
- Prepared a 10-minute video documentary to showcase the full extent of SNEPCO's investments and interventions. This included all essential PHC and WASH services with testimonies for stakeholders and beneficiaries. The video highlighted key RMNCH, Communicable and Non-Communicable disease interventions, WASH facilities, WASH Activities in the community etc
 - Prepared a 5-minute video of the virtual commissioning of the newly constructed PHC. The video showed a walk-through of the various sections of the PHC and the donated equipment and commodities as well as the commissioning ceremony conducted by Dikwa PHC stakeholders
 - Livestreamed the videos during the dissemination meeting
 - Prepared a detailed end-of-project report submitted to SNEPCO.
 - Prepared an end-of-project briefs that will be disseminated on social media and also printed to share with stakeholders
Reported the event across multiple online media and print platforms.





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WATCH**

Informed commentary, intelligence and insights on the Nigerian health sector

Client: Nigeria Health Watch

Title: Survey on Willingness to Pay for Health Insurance in Benue State

Period: 2018

Goal: The development and implementation of a mix methodology research grounded in behavioural science to generate primary evidence on actual perceptions on the willingness to pay for health Insurance in Benue State, north- central Nigeria.



Client: Facebook

Title: Health Meets Tech – App Challenge Kenya

Period: 2018

Goal: EpiAFRIC in partnership with IHUB and Nigeria Health Watch put together its 2nd “HealthMeetsTech” hackathon, supported by Facebook and held at the Ihub in Nairobi, Kenya on the 9th-10th June 2018. EpiAFRIC through this App Challenge sort to create a platform for health workers to interact with developers from the tech ecosystem in Kenya.



Client: TY Danjuma Foundation

Title: Evaluation of TY Danjuma Foundation Legacy Grantees 2010 – 2017

Period: 2018

Goal: The goals of the evaluation are as follows:

Highlight the achievements of the selected project.

- Examine the factors that facilitated or hindered achievement of the goals of the selected projects.
- Review project design and implementation strategies.
- Assess project sustainability.
- Highlight good practices and lessons learnt.
- Provide practical recommendations to improve the design, implementation, management and coordination of the projects

Client: World Bank

Title: Workshop on Evidence-Based Health Planning in Nigeria.

Period: 2018

Goal: EpiAFRIC designed an annotated bibliography providing a concise summary of the key evidence that relates to a subset of health priority selected in collaboration with the DIME team. EpiAFRIC also conducted a one-day workshop convening relevant FMOH personnel as well as the academic consultants supporting development of health policy. It included the presentation of the annotated bibliography of key evidence that relates to a subset of health priority in Nigeria.



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Client: Measure Evaluation

Title: Rapid Assessment of The Current Surveillance and Notification System (IDSR) With Focus on Tuberculosis

Period: 2018

Goal: EpiAFRIC team participated in the conduct of a rapid assessment to examine the status of surveillance and notification in Nigeria based on relevant provisions of the Technical Guidelines for Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response (IDSR) in Nigeria especially TB surveillance reporting. Note that the Assessment did not include any notification done through the existing structures of the NTBLCP



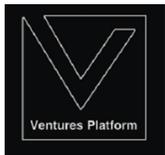
Client: Pandemictech, Ventures Platform
Tech Ranch, Pharmaccess Foundation
Efferent Digital Health Nigeria, International
Society For Infectious Diseases, Sterling Bank
Nigeria Health Watch

Title: Health Meets Tech Infectious Diseases Hackathon

Period: 2018

Goal:

EpiAfric through this App Challenge will create a platform for health workers in the infectious disease area to work with developers from the tech ecosystem to develop solutions that would improve prevention of infectious diseases. Health workers such as Disease Surveillance and Notification Officers, State Epidemiologists, Immunization Officers, Clinicians, Community Health Extension Workers, Laboratory Scientists, Pharmacists and Doctors working in various levels of healthcare delivery in Nigeria will participate.



Client: InStrat

Title: Monitoring and Evaluation Support to InStrat on the Early Warning Outbreak Recognition System (EWORS).

Period: Duration: 12 months, from January 2018 – December 2018

Goal:

- Role of Firm: Monitoring and Evaluation
- Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC
- EpiAFRIC will do the following:
- Outline and define the monitoring indicators for E-WORS
- Describe the evaluation framework and indicators for EWORS
- Identify methods of data collection
- Generation of baseline and endline data results
- Conduct monitoring and evaluation visits to participating health facilities, Patent Medicine Vendors, Schools and Public Health Agencies.
- n Lagos and Ondo States



Client: The African Union Commission

Title: Evaluation of the performance of the African Union Support to Ebola Outbreak In West Africa (ASEOWA) Mission in controlling Ebola Virus Disease and restoring health services in Guinea, Liberia And Sierra Leone

Duration: 1 month, from August – September 2015

Role of Firm: Evaluator

Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

The aim of this project was to evaluate the ASEOWA mission and to document learning points from the deployment of healthcare workers on this scale in response to a public health emergency in order inform decisions on future missions. We used mixed research methods for this project evaluation. For the qualitative aspects, purposive sampling was employed in selecting “key informant interview (KII)” and “focus group discussion (FGD)” participants. An online questionnaire was field-tested and administered to all the volunteers. Combining quantitative, qualitative, and participatory methods with simple analytical tools allowed the triangulation of information to generate results that give an overall view of the mission. We visited Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone interviewing key stakeholders and sent online questionnaires to all 800 ASEOWA volunteers.

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Client: Pro Health International

Title: Assessment of International Air and Land Borders in Nigeria to Assess Preparedness for International Health Regulation

Role of Firm: Evaluator



Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

Integrated Response to Public Health Emergencies in Nigeria (IRPHEN) aims to strengthen public health systems at Nigerian borders otherwise called “Points of Entry”. Pro Health International with her partners will work to support authorities and responsible agencies and border communities prevent, detect and respond to Public Health Emergencies of International Concern (PHEIC), including Ebola Virus Disease. EpiAFRIC assessed the readiness of two international air borders (Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Abuja and Murtala Mohammed International Airport, Lagos) and one land border (Idiroko international land border between Nigeria and Benin Republic)

Client: Women Friendly Initiative, Kuje, Abuja, Nigeria

Title: Reversible Male Contraceptives in Nigeria Preference Survey

Duration: 3 months, from July – September 2017

Role of Firm: Evaluator

Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

The development and implementation of a research methodology grounded in behavioural science to generate primary evidence on the actual perceptions and willingness to use new and pay for novel contraceptive methods among married and unmarried men aged 16-60 across three of six geopolitical zones of Nigeria (Abuja, Kano and Lagos)





Client: Facebook

Title: Health meets Tech Application Challenge

Duration: 2017

Goal: EpiAfric in partnership with Digital Health Nigeria, Nigeria Health Watch and Co-Creation Hub organised the “Health Meets Tech Application Challenge”. It was an event that brought together health and tech communities to develop tech solutions for the health sector. The event would be replicated in Kenya and South Africa. The Health Meets Tech Application Challenge is supported by Facebook.



Client: Association for Reproductive & Family Health/The Global Fund

Title: Title: Assessment of Community-Health Facility Referral Linkage System across 12 States, (2 States in each geopolitical zone) in Nigeria.

Duration: 2017

Goal: EpiAfric conducted an assessment and determined opportunities, gaps and challenges that exist within the community and health facility interface. The findings provided a basis for strengthening effective referral linkages between communities and health facilities in Nigeria that will contribute to restoration of public confidence in the healthcare system in Nigeria.



Client: APIN Public Health Initiatives LTD/GTE

Title: Social Media Masterclass for Staff of APIN Public Health Initiatives Ltd/Gte

Duration: 2017

Goal: EpiAfric delivered a practical, interactive course on Social Media. It was a focused two- day masterclass on social media for workers in the non-profit sector. This practical, case-oriented program provided training for staff of APIN Public Health Initiatives Ltd/Gte. The short course consisted of use of modern teaching methods, interactive case studies, audio visual presentations and post course assessments.



Client: Christian Aid

Title: Health journalism masterclass on Community Based Health Insurance Schemes (CBHIS) for selected journalists from print, electronic and online media.

Duration: 2017

Goal: EpiAfric delivered a practical, interactive course on CBHIS. It was a focused two-day update course on writing for health journalists. This practical, case-oriented program provided training for journalists reporting on health events and some editors.



Client: We Care Solar

Title: Photo Documentation of We Care Solar Project Sites and Interview of Beneficiaries and Other Stakeholders in Cross River State.

Duration: 2017

Goal: EpiAfric conducted photo documentation of We Care Solar Maternal, Newborn and Child Health Project sites in Cross River State. It also involved interview of women who benefited from the use of Solar Suitcases during childbirth, their family members and other key stakeholders. Solar suitcases provide light for taking deliveries and caring for newborns in resource-poor settings.



Client: TY Danjuma Foundation

Title: Needs assessment to establish funding priorities for TY Danjuma Foundation.

Duration: 2017

Goal: TYDF has funded hundreds of NGOs to provide diverse interventions to rural communities. It is time for the Foundation to streamline its grant making processes and become focused on key interventions. This needs assessment was designed to provide the evidence for the TYDF Board of Trustees to achieve this. This assessment will help increase the impact of TYDF interventions.



Client: The Leprosy Mission Nigeria

Title: Job audit for staff of The Leprosy Mission Nigeria

Duration: 2017

Goal: EpiAfric conducted a Job Audit to clarify/verify and measure the duties/reporting relationships of employees at TLMN. The goal was to see first-hand the work process and the departmental operations and to allow employees the opportunity to provide further explanation of the duties or examples of responsibilities described in the their job descriptions.



Client: Healthcare Leadership Academy

Title: Job audit for staff of The Leprosy Mission Nigeria.

Duration: 2016-2017

Goal: To transform healthcare in Africa by developing a generation of healthcare leaders who excel in governance and provision of quality services. EpiAfric is one of the collaborating organisations that deliver courses for the Healthcare Leadership Academy. Other organisations include: University of Cambridge Judge Business School, Duke University, Lagos Business School, Habiba Balogun Consulting and Institute for Healthcare Improvement.

Client: SURE P Maternal and Child Health Project

Title: SURE P Maternal and Child Health Project Midterm Evaluation

Duration: 3 months, from March 2015 to May 2015

Role of Firm: Evaluator

Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

The aim of the midterm review was to evaluate and assess the progress and achievement of the SURE-P MCH programme at mid-point, and to provide recommendations to guide the remaining implementation period of the project and proffer valuable recommendations for the post-2015 period. The project key performance indicators were also measured. The evaluation was conducted in 6 States (Niger, Kaduna, Bauchi, Ogun, Anambra and Bayelsa) and included an element of film and photographic documentation of the project

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Client: Save The Children

Title: Documented achievements realized in implementing its implementation in a structured manner, focusing on identifying the specific factors of success, summarizing the actual actions being undertaken on the ground and described the impact of interventions on the lives of those for whom it is being implemented

Locations: Kaduna, Plateau, Bauchi, Kano and Sokoto States.

The STEER Project documentation proposed some promising practices that can be maintained and replicated or scaled up in the future. The documentation combined human stories and voices of beneficiaries with results based on official reports and accounts of technical staff and community leaders. These stories will be shared with Government authorities, development partners and the general public.

The specific Objectives of the assignment are as follows:

1. Document success stories and lessons learned from the implementation of the project, in terms of strengthening capacity, improving house hold economic status, improving nutritional status, access to education and healthcare as a result of project interventions and access to HIV/AIDS services.
2. Create varied information pack from compiled material for distribution to STEER stakeholders



Client: Christian Aid Nigeria

Title: End of Project Evaluation of Strengthening Community Health and HIV/AIDS Response- SCHH Project in Nigeria

Duration: 1 month, from February – March 2016

Role of Firm: Evaluator

Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

The overall purpose of the evaluation was to review the strengths and weaknesses in the implementation of the DFID Programme Partnership Arrangement supported project over the last five years and inform future implementation of similar projects to maximize achievements and sustainable transformations. The evaluation was of mixed methodologies. The quantitative component involved the administration of 1500 questionnaires to community members in 10 communities of Benue, Plateau and the federal capital territory. For the qualitative aspect, purposive sampling was employed to sample various stakeholders including international NGOs, faith leaders, local NGOs that implemented the project, local government and State health officials. Members of community development committees across the 10 communities were engaged in focus group discussions.

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Client: Christian Aid Nigeria

Title: End of Project Evaluation of “People Living Positively (PLP): South-to-South Learning to Scale up Effective HIV Care and Support Interventions in Nigeria”

Duration: Duration: March–April 2015

Role of Firm: Evaluator

Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

The overall aim of this evaluation was to assess the strengths and weaknesses in the implementation of the Comic Relief-supported project as regards planned and unintended achievements and outcomes, and sustainable transformations that may have occurred in the targeted communities, and inform future project planning and design. The evaluation was conducted using mixed methods; desk review of project documents, quantitative and qualitative analysis of data from the project and interviews with beneficiaries. It was carried out in two states; Plateau and the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja. The selected communities and LGAs for this evaluation in Plateau State were Mabudi in Langtang South LGA, Amper in Kanke LGA, and Fan in Barkin Ladi LGA as well as Mararaba, in FCT.

Client: Christian Aid Nigeria

Title: Community Health Insurance Scoping Research

Duration: 2 months, from 8th September to 12 November 2014

Role of Firm: Researcher

Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

Scoping research project on Community Health Insurance Schemes. The aim of the project was to conduct and document a review of existing community health insurance schemes, review emerging and best practices in rural community health insurance programmes, interact with key stakeholders at various levels as well as documents in order to advise Christian Aid's interest in the establishment of a rural community health insurance programme. It included the planning and execution of a national dissemination exercise with key government departments and agencies. This forum will potentially chart on a realistic way forward for rural community health insurance programme in Nigeria.

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Client: TESS Advisors

Title: Rapid assessment of diagnosis patterns for paediatric TB patients treated outside the national TB programme in Nigeria

Duration: 20 days, August 2013

Role of Firm: Project Evaluation

Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

The objective of the rapid assessment was to contribute to the understanding of the paediatric market by identifying sources for paediatric TB cases that could be included in national reporting, and provided with correct treatment. The rapid assessment concentrated on facilities outside the TB control programme. It sought to understand under (or over) diagnosis and treatment by, identifying points of care where children are being taken for the diagnosis and treatment of TB, identifying the presence of non-reported paediatric TB cases; and assessing paediatric case records for TB to determine frequency of over- or under-diagnosis. The resulting estimates contributed to understanding where parents tend to take children with TB symptoms, and how the children are treated at these facilities, and will inform the project's efforts to identify cases and improve quality treatment at these facilities. This will lead to a better estimation of the market size in Nigeria.

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Client: Nigeria Liquefied Natural Gas (NLNG)

Title: Outline proposal for a baseline assessment of infrastructure, human resources microbiology and clinical expertise required for the prevention and management of infectious diseases in Rivers State.

Duration: March 2015 to May 2015

Role of Firm: Research, Documentation and Dissemination

Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

Conducted a baseline assessment on current capacity, infrastructure and equipment for the surveillance, prevention, detection and control of outbreaks infectious disease services in Rivers state and advised the Nigeria Liquefied Natural Gas (NLNG) company on how to best support the health security of Rivers State.

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Client: NOI Polls

Title: Snap Polls on Ebola, Cardiovascular Disease AND Lassa Fever

Duration: March 2015 to May 2015 and February 2016

Role of Firm: Research, Documentation and Dissemination

Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

Work through our Not-for-Profit advocacy portal "Nigeria Health Watch". During the Ebola outbreak, we carried out various public enlighten activities including a snap poll on Ebola Virus Disease in partnership with NOI Polls. Our health communications work included pieces on Ebola at the height of the outbreak in Nigeria and Liberia, as well as radio and television appearances to discuss the issues surrounding the outbreak.

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Client: Ipas Nigeria

Title: Impact Assessment of Ipas Work In Nigeria In The Last Twenty Years, Srhr Landscape Assessment And Development Of Ipas Nigeria Strategic Plan.



Brief description of services rendered by EpiAFRIC:

The goal is to generate and share evidence on the evolution and impact of Ipas Nigeria's work to support internal learning/adaptive programming, external relations, and business development.



Client: Nigeria Health Watch

Title: Baseline assessment of Procurement Processes for Maternal Medicines in Ekiti, Delta, Ebonyi, Gombe, Kano and Plateau states

Goal: The objectives for the baseline assessment are as follows:

- Develop map of stakeholders involved in each state's procurement process.
- To assess each state's value chain process for procurement and delivery of maternal medicines.
- To produce report of states value chain for maternal medicines identifying success, gaps and opportunities for systems strengthening as well as recommendations general and specific to each state.
- To identify and articulate the role that state governments and stakeholders can play in ensuring that quality maternal medicines get to the bedsides of mothers in their States.
- To provide recommendations based on outcomes of assessment about how stakeholders can drive action towards improved policy and regulation on the procurement, distribution, maintenance and tracking of quality medicine.

Client: FHI 360

Title: Documentation and dissemination of SNEPCO's investment and interventions in Dikwa, Borno State



EpiAFRIC supported the documentation and dissemination by doing the following:

- Prepared a 10-minute video documentary to showcase the full extent of SNEPCO's investments and interventions. This will included all essential PHC and WASH services with testimonies for stakeholders and beneficiaries.
- Prepared a 5-minute video of the virtual commissioning of the newly constructed PHC.
- Livestreamed the videos during the dissemination meeting
- Moderated the dissemination meeting
- Prepared detailed end-of-project report (see sample from IHAP) that will be submitted to SNEPCO.
- Prepared end-of-project briefs that was disseminated on social media and also printed to share with stakeholders
- Reported the event across multiple online media and print platforms.

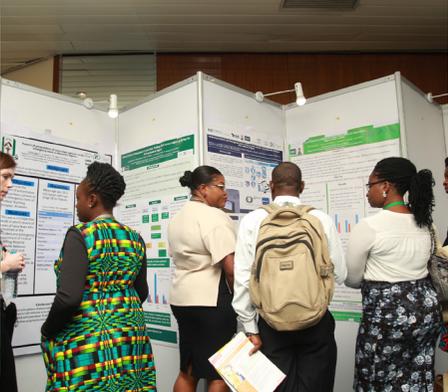


Client: TY Danjuma Foundation

Title: Impact Evaluation of TYDF Maternal and Child Health Interventions in Akwa Ibom, Edo, Kano, Niger, FCT, Gombe, Cross River, and Taraba, States

Goal: The objectives of the impact evaluation are to:

- Demonstrate the impact of the Foundation's investments in maternal and child health.
- Identify factors that facilitated or hindered the achievement of the set objectives.
- Assess the sustainability of supported projects over time.
- Highlight good practices and lessons learned by partners and communities; and
- Provide practical recommendations to improve future interventions by the Foundation





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