**STRATEGIC FOCUS**

*Active Strategic Scale-up of Comprehensive HIV Services:* The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Nigeria office was established in February 2001, and the operation provides technical leadership and assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) and implementing partners to scale-up HIV testing, treatment, and prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV (PMTCT) services.

*Strengthening Laboratory Systems and Networks:* CDC provides technical leadership and assistance to build in-country capacity for high-quality HIV and tuberculosis (TB) diagnostic and monitoring, and to support the development of a national reference public health laboratory system for HIV, TB, and other diseases.

*Strengthening Public Health Systems:* CDC assists the MOH to strengthen epidemiology, surveillance, laboratory, medical informatics, 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 local stakeholders and partners, 1,702 sites offering PMTCT services were established between October 2016 and September 2017. According to PEPFAR Nigeria data, between October 2016 and September 2017, HIV testing and counseling were provided to about 1 million pregnant women, in addition to antiretroviral therapy (ART) for 24,445 HIV-positive pregnant women to prevent mother-to-child transmission.

*HIV Testing Services (HTS) and Antiretrovirus Treatment (ART) Services:* CDC, through its implementing partners, provides high quality HIV testing services and HIV treatment and support services. Between October 2016 and September 2017, CDC and its partners provided HIV testing services to about 5 million people across Nigeria. Of this, 109,275 were diagnosed with HIV infection and referred for treatment. At the end of FY17 (September 30, 2017), 480,207 patients were receiving ART, while almost 250,000 orphan and vulnerable children were provided with a minimum of one care service in the last quarter of FY17. (PEPFAR Nigeria, 2017)

*TB/HIV Integration:* CDC continues to provide technical guidance to partners to ensure TB/HIV collaborative activities are strengthened. Between October 2016 and September 2017, CD C-s supported partners screened approximately 477,921 people living with HIV for TB signs and symptoms; 4,452 TB patients were diagnosed with HIV and placed on ART HIV therapy. (PEPFAR Nigeria, 2017)

*TB Infection Prevention and Control:* CDC scaled-up a comprehensive TB infection control program called TB BASICS across all PEPFAR supported facilities in Nigeria. The ongoing TB BASICS program helps protect health care workers and patients from health care-associatedTB infection and other airborne infections. MOH has incorporated TB BASICS into the national TB/HIV training modules for health care workers.

*National AIDS Impact & Indicator Survey (NAIIS):* CDC, through its implementing partner, the University of Maryland (UMB), is carrying out the largest HIV impact survey (target sample size is 170,000) in the country’s history to measure HIV burden and viral suppression nationally, representing each of Nigeria’s 36 states and its Federal Capital Territory.