

**THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON CHILDREN
AND THE FAMILY
FROM THE PURVIEW OF THE
FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH
(FMOH)**



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MANDATE OF CHILD HEALTH DIVISION

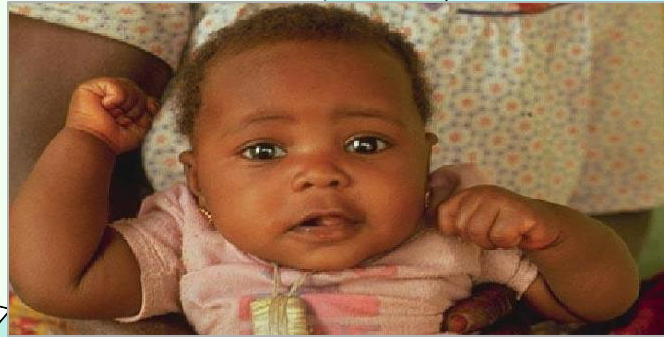


- To formulate and coordinate effective implementation of government policies, guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) that promote and protect the health and wellbeing of the Nigerian child for optimum growth and development.

BRANCHES OF CHILD HEALTH DIVISION

**Newborn Care
Branch**

**Child Survival
Branch**



**MNCH Co-
ordination NOW
Children with
Special Needs
Branch**

Existing Policies, Guidelines and Protocols



- i. Reproductive Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health + Nutrition (RMNCAH+N) strategy
- ii. National Child Health Policy
- iii. Integrated Community Case Management (iCCM) of Childhood Illness implementation guideline (2013)/Decision Tree (2015)/Training materials (2016)
- iv. Nigeria Every Newborn Action Plan (2014)
- v. Essential Newborn Care training materials (2014)
- vi. Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI)/cIMCI Training Protocols (2017)
- vii. Program management training manual (2013)
- viii. National Strategy on Quality of Care for Maternal and Newborn Health (
- ix. Emergency Triage, Treatment and Assessment (ETAT) guidelines (*WHO Generic version*)
- x. Integrated Supportive Supervision Tools and User Guide (2015)

Coordination and Technical Assistance to States

Coordination platforms

- National Child Health Technical Working Group
- National Quality of Care Steering and Technical Committees
- National Task Force on integrated Community Case Management (iCCM) of childhood illness



Capacity building and Supportive Supervision to States

- Integrated Management of Childhood Illnesses (IMCI).
- Integrated Community Case Management (iCCM) of Childhood illness.
- Essential Newborn Care Course – full and modified (ENCC & mENCC).
- Programme Management for RMNCAH+N.
- Emergency Triage, Assessment and Treatment (ETAT)
- Quality of Care, Quality Improvement Approaches.
- Integrated Supportive Supervision (ISS)

Impact of Covid On Children As It Pertains To FMOH



- ❑ Preamble
- ❑ Covid means corona viral disease
- ❑ Causative organism: SARS COV2
- ❑ Declared epidemic March 2020
- ❑ Affects elderly and immune suppressed but also affects children
- ❑ Covid has affected every sphere of life i.e ; economy, education health\
- ❑ HEALTH:
- ❑ Overstretched the health system, increased admission rates with isolation centres
- ❑ With lockdown , decreased utilization of health facilities leading to increase child morbidity and mortality
- ❑ Fear of contracting the disease also reduced utilization of health facilities

IMPACT ON CHILDREN (cont)



- ❑ Disruption of routine immunizations
- ❑ Family planning Services
- ❑ Treatment of endemic conditions including malaria, HIV, Tuberculosis
- ❑ Other areas affected include adolescent health with increase in rape, unwanted pregnancies and mental health issues as well.

Strategies To Mitigate The Effects Of Covid



- Covid 19 response plan
- Sustenance of routine immunization
- Distribution of family planning commodities
- Ensuring continuous supply of essential drugs
- All thematic areas of RMNCAEH+N are addressed

A photograph of a baby crawling on a light-colored surface, partially covered by a purple and white patterned blanket. The baby is looking directly at the camera with a curious expression. The background is slightly blurred, showing what appears to be a room with a window and some furniture.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
ATTENTION**

AREAS OF COLLABRATION