



Total reaches out to Katsina, Benue communities



Wife of Benue State Governor, (Arc) Mrs. Yemisi Dooshima Suswam, presents certificate of attendance to one of the Customers' Attendants trained as Peer Educators in Benue State

Total Nigeria PLC successfully kicked off its Community HIV Preventive Education Project in Katsina State, July 6-8, 2009 with HIV peer education training for customer attendants and driveway supervisors at the Kofar Kwaya Filling Station. The training had 11 men and two women as well as two dealers in attendance on the first day. Throughout the duration of the training, HCT services were provided to staff of the participating stations as well as members of

the public. A total of 160 clients were tested. Among them, four people tested positive of which one was already on anti-retroviral therapy while the other three were referred.

At the formal launch of the campaign, the dignitaries

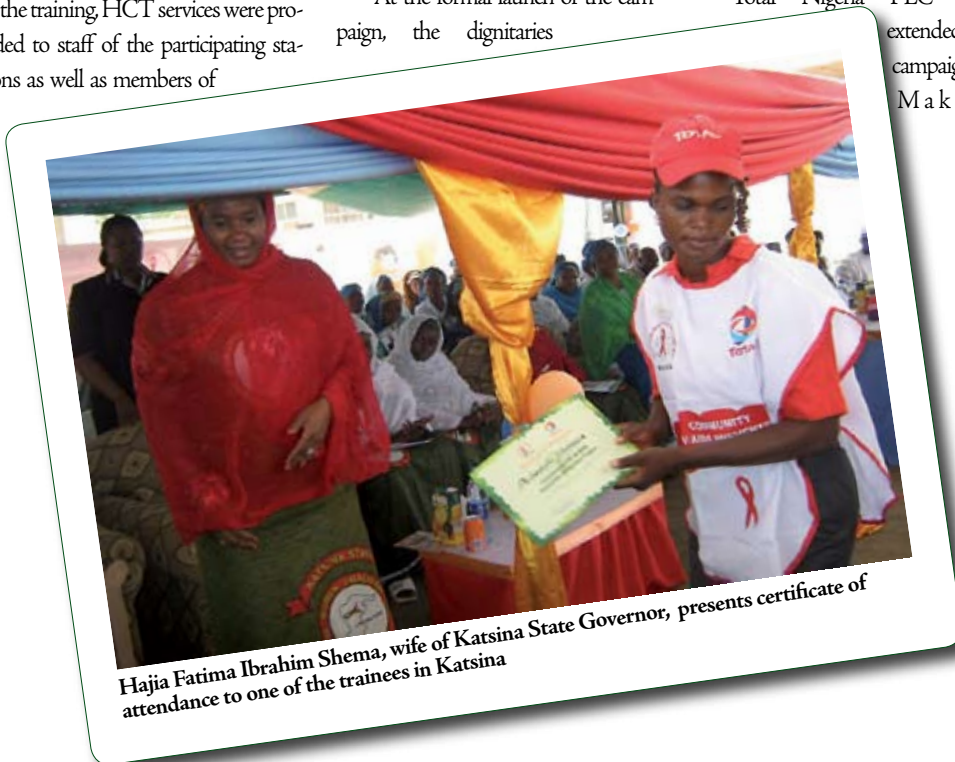
present included the wife of the Executive Governor of Katsina State, Hajia Fatima Ibrahim Shema and some members of the State Executive Council as well as state representatives and collaborators.

Total Nigeria PLC equally extended its campaign to

Benue State from the 27th to 29th of July, 2009, training 21 peer educators. The trainees comprised 16 customer attendants, four dealers and one regional sales executive. HCT services were also accessed by 230 persons, of which 13 tested positive.

The campaign launch had in attendance the wife of the Benue State's Executive Governor, Architect Yemisi Dooshima Suswam, state commissioners and other top government functionaries including the Executive Secretary of Benue State Agency for the Control

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Hajia Fatima Ibrahim Shema, wife of Katsina State Governor, presents certificate of attendance to one of the trainees in Katsina

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Alhaji Usman Abdullahi, Zimit Abubakar and NIBUCAA's Executive Secretary Olusina Falana present certificate to a trainee in Katsina



Dr. Adenrele Haastrup (left), training consultant, in a session with trainees in Katsina

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of AIDS (BENSACA), Mrs. Ashi Wende. All dignitaries and attendees donned the Total/NIBUCAA branded Polo-shirts and face caps made to promote the event.

Both state governments commended Total Nigeria PLC as a responsible corporate citizen and applauded the company for identifying with the states in the area of corporate social responsibility.

Other side attractions during both events included dance and drama which were tools used to communicate the message of 'No Stigmatisation' of People Living with HIV. The local populace which included - okada riders, artisans and other laymen who were the target audience, with no knowledge of the disease, turned out en masse for free counselling and testing. Information leaflets on HIV prevention and management as well as branded souvenirs and free condoms were largely distributed to all present at the events.

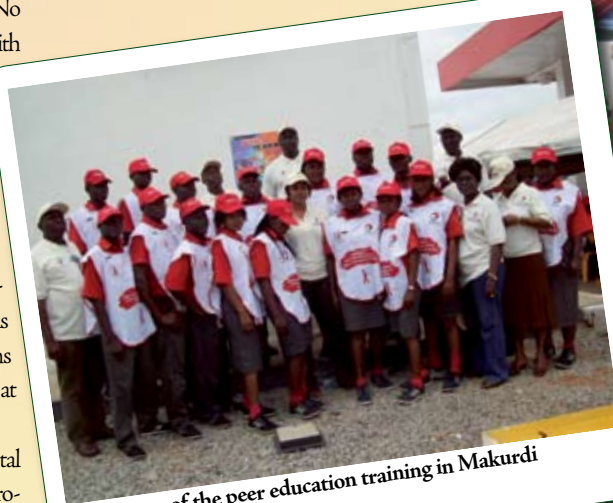
NIBUCAA partnered with Total Nigeria PLC on this initiative by providing technical support during the events.



Alhaji Usman Abdullahi, Territorial Sales Manager delivers his welcome address at the project launch



Participants at the Katsina workshop in a photo session with wife of State Governor, Hajia Fatima Ibrahim Shema



Graduates of the peer education training in Makurdi



NIBUCAA's Executive Secretary Olusina Falana delivers a speech at the project launch in Katsina

PPP Project graduates 23 master trainers on TB, Malaria

A master trainer-training workshop was conducted by NIBUCAAA and facilitated by two consultants from University College Hospital, Ibadan, July 22-23, 2009 to develop the capacity of PPP partners to integrate the control of Tuberculosis and Malaria into the existing HIV prevention programming in the supply chain companies.

The workshop which was held at the conference room of Guinness Nigeria Plc, Ikeja had the following objectives:

- Improve trainees' knowledge of the public health importance of TB and Malaria;
- Increase trainees' knowledge and understanding of the cause, signs and symptoms, mode of transmission and prevention of TB and Malaria;
- Develop trainees' skills for delivery of effective prevention of HIV, Malaria and TB in the workplace;
- Improve trainees' knowledge and understanding of the relationship between HIV, Malaria and TB; and
- Develop trainees' skills for effective prevention of HIV, Malaria and TB.

Recommendations made at the end of the workshop included - the need for continuous education, development of relevant IEC/Support materials, tracking activities of trainees to implement integration and need for research to document burden of malaria. Twenty three participants, who consists of focal persons and select NIBUCAAA staff, attended the workshop.

With this training, NIBUCAAA has been able to empower PPP partners to be able to prevent and mitigate HIV and AIDS in the workplace and host communities. The peer educators, drawn from different locations and units, will educate their colleagues at the workplace on HIV and AIDS issues.



Olusina Falana, NIBUCAAA Executive Secretary, presents a copy of NIBUCAAA News to a participant at the GBC/GTZ 2009 East and Central Africa "Health@Work" regional workshop in Kenya

USAID/SMARTWork HCT services reach more persons

HIV Counselling and Testing (HCT) services to its partner national, industrial/labour unions has continued to be provided by The Nigerian Business Coalition Against AIDS (NIBUCAAA). Other organisations that have requested for HCT services were also attended to, such as Total Nigeria PLC in Benue and Katsina states; Guinness Nigeria PLC in Aba, Abia State; Benin, Edo State and Lagos State. HCT service was also provided as requested at a community outreach event, organised by the project manager of the National Union of Textile, Garment and Tailoring Workers of Nigeria (NUTGTWN) in Ikorodu, Lagos State.

Although, 500 persons were to be targeted with HCT services in the quarter under review, 3,105 persons (41.4%) were reached, as against 2,243 persons reached in the second quarter. The appreciation over the previous quarter is attributable to improvements in the mobilisation activities of the national industrial unions.

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BCC/IEC materials production kicks off for USAID/SMARTWork project

Following the HIV & AIDS BCC/IEC Materials Adaptation training conducted in the second quarter of the year, several meetings have been held to ensure that all partners comply with specifications for the final production of all materials related to the project. Approvals have been given in principle to some partners to produce some of their materials while others who are yet to produce samples of the specification have been requested to do so without further delay for approval to produce.

Halogen Security peer educators get IPCC skills

Twenty-three peer educators with Halogen Security company, Port Harcourt, have received a two-day Interpersonal Communication and Counselling (IPCC) training organised by NIBUCAAA to improve their communication and counselling skills. During the activity, Society for Family Health (SFH) assisted in providing HIV Counselling and Testing service to 43 employees of the company in Port Harcourt. Four females and 39 males took the opportunity to know their HIV status.

Unilever trains 29 peer educators

Unilever Nigeria Plc, one of NIBUCAAA's member companies, trained 29 peer educators on HIV and AIDS issues between July 9 and 10, 2009 at her Corporate head office at Oregun, Lagos. The peer educators were trained on the following HIV and AIDS issues,

- Values clarification and identifying who is at risk of HIV infection
- Myths and misconception about HIV
- Basic fact about HIV and AIDS
- Communication in HIV and AIDS
- Appropriate words in HIV and AIDS communication.
- Condom negotiation and demonstration.
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Stigma and discrimination

More PIA/GTZ PPP Project achievements

Private Investors for Africa (PIA), Public Private Partnership (PPP) project is gaining more visibility and integrating new themes – Tuberculosis and Malaria into its programming. Among the project activities for the quarter:

- A Training of Trainer (TOT) workshop was organised to develop the capacity of PPP partners (focal persons representing supply chain companies) and to integrate the control of Tuberculosis and Malaria into the on-going HIV prevention programming in the workplace. Peer educators in four supply chain companies namely: Veepee Industries limited, Halogen Security Company, Ibadan location, Chisco Transport limited Enugu and First Aluminum Nigeria Plc, were trained on prevention, risk reduction, treatment and control of TB and Malaria.
- During the quarter, the seventh quarterly meeting of supply chains and contract companies took place at Guinness Nigeria PLC. It was another avenue for sharing ideas and opinion.
- Dr Bernd Appelt, GTZ project – PIA/PPP project supervisor, was around for project audit which included integration of Tuberculosis and Malaria into PEs programme activities and financial audit in July, 2009.
- Additional 2,500 copies of 100 Frequently Asked Questions About HIV/AIDS and ARV Therapy were printed for the use of peer educators. This was based on the request by Supply Chain Companies for reprint as the pamphlet has been exhausted due to popular demand.

HCT, ARV take centre stage at LSACA, HIV partners meeting

The extent of HCT and anti-retroviral (ART) care provision in Lagos was the focus of a one-day meeting of 12 partner organisations working in the area of HIV and AIDs organised by the Lagos State Agency for the Control of AIDS (LSACA) on July 1, 2009. The objective of the meeting was for partners to avail themselves of the opportunity to present updates to LSACA on activities carried out so

far by their respective agencies. It was chaired by the Executive Secretary of LSACA, Dr. (Mrs.) F.A. Dabiri who also doubles as the special adviser to the Lagos State Governor on HIV/AIDS while it was coordinated by Dr. Olusegun Ogboye.

Partners made presentations starting with a focus on HCT and ARV provisions in the state by Dr. (first-name?) Ficsher for LSACA. This was

followed by a focus on community outreach by Making Medical Injections Safer (MMIS) and training on correct medical waste disposal by Mrs. (first-name?) Ladipo. Other presentations were made by State Ministry of Health, GHAIN, Africare, UNFPA, NIBUCAA, CEDPA, IHVN, SFH and ALCONDA/VS whose focus area is the corridor of Mile 2 (Lagos) to Cote d'Ivoire while providing comprehensive

health services; AED gave a presentation focused on the AED/Smartwork project being carried out in collaboration with NIBUCAA.

The meeting also looked at issues affecting service delivery and quality of output in HCT and ARV. It raised questions about the quality of HCT service delivery, the need for the incorporation of TB and Malaria into HCT as noted by ALCONDA and quality control under the Society for Family Health project (15per day/10th Dry Blood Spot). Personnel turnover within HCT service providers was underlined as impacting HCT services as personnel who have been given specialist training move on to other jobs.

The meeting also noted that poor documentation and motivation of field staff were key challenges to accurate statistical data recording.



Maiden meeting of the Global Fund HIV Round 5 implementers called by the Federal Ministry of Labour and Productivity, Abuja Thursday, September 17, 2009. PR- NACA and AED/Nigeria were in attendance

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PIA/PPP Project share ideas at 7th quarterly meet

The 7th quarterly meeting of the Private Investors for African (PIA) Public Private Partnership (PPP) project for supply chain companies (SCCs) in Nigeria took place at Guinness Nigeria Plc on July 24, 2009. All the partners who are involved in the project were present except for the contact persons from Nigeria Breweries and Unilever Nigeria Plc.

The meeting provided avenue for SCCs to give report of their activities and share experiences. Dr. Bernd Appelt attended the meeting on behalf of GTZ and contributed on technical directions for the project.

As outcome of the meeting the following activities were listed for the next quarter:

- Training of Peer Educators on TB and malaria;
- Review of developed curriculum on tuberculosis and malaria for publication;
- Retraining of PEs on interpersonal communication and counselling continues;
- Cost benefit analysis with contract companies;
- Adaptation of relevant IEC materials for TB and malaria;
- Introduction/distribution of insecticide treated net (ITN) to employees and families of SCCs;
- Peer Education summit;
- Capacity building via online training for focal person.