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**MEMORANDUM OF THE HONOURABLE MINISTER OF HEALTH FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE SECOND NATIONAL STRATEGIC HEALTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN (NSHDP II: 2017-2021)**

**Purpose**

The purpose of this memo is to seek Council's approval for the adoption and implementation of the second National Strategic Health Development Plan (NSHDP II) across all levels of government and by all stakeholders in the Health Sector.

**Background/Development Process**

2. The implementation of the first plan (2010-2015) was extended at the 58<sup>th</sup> National Council on Health (NCH) meeting pending the completion of the second National Strategic Health Development Plan (NSHDP II). The Honourable Minister of Health thereafter inaugurated a Technical Working Group (TWG) to drive the process for the development of the second plan (NSHDP II: 2017-2021). The membership of the TWG was drawn from stakeholders in the health sector, including the states and FCT. Consequently, a five-stage (5) process was adopted in the development of the second plan and they include the following:

- Development of a framework;
- Development of State and Federal Strategic Health Plans;
- Harmonization of the State and Federal Health Plans into a National Health Plan;
- Subjecting of the National Health Plan to Joint Assessment of National Strategies (JANS); and
- National / Sub-National Compacts with Development Partners - Agreement, Negotiation and Implementation

3. The TWG and its sub-committees in collaboration with the consultants held several meetings and came up with a national framework which was validated by national stakeholders to serve as a guideline for the development of States, FCT and Federal specific plans. The progress made on the development of the second National Strategic Health Development Plan (NSHDP II) was presented to update the National Council on Health (NCH) at its 59<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> meetings. At both meetings, Council noted the slow progress and urged the Federal Ministry of Health and particularly the NSHDP II TWG to fast track the completion of the plan. Thus, the finalised and costed plans of the 36 States, FCT and Federal were harmonised into one Costed National Plan for implementation in the entire health sector over a five year period. The harmonised One Health Plan was validated by national stakeholders on 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. Thereafter, the plan was subjected to an intensive Joint Assessment of National Strategies (JANS) facilitated by WHO to ensure that the plan meets international standard as well as secure the support of Development Partners and buy-in by stakeholders for collective implementation.

**NSHDP II Strategies**

4. The development of the strategies of the second plan took into consideration lessons learned from the implementation of the first plan, changes in global agenda from MDG to SDG, emerging health sector challenges, the National Health Act (2014), the New National Health Policy (2016) and the new government's Medium Term Economic Recovery and Growth Plan (ERGP - 2017).

5. The NSHDP II has five (5) Strategic Pillars and Fifteen (15) Priority Areas as follows:

**Strategic Pillar 1:** Enabled Environment for Attainment of Health Sector Goals;

- **Priority Area 1:** Leadership and Governance
- **Priority Area 2:** Community Participation
- **Priority Area 3:** Partnerships

**Strategic Pillar 2:** Increased Utilization of Essential Package of Health Care Services;

- **Priority Area 4:** RMNCAH +N
- **Priority Area 5:** Communicable Diseases
- **Priority Area 6:** Non Communicable Diseases
- **Priority Area 7:** Emergency Medical and General Hospital Services
- **Priority Area 8:** Health Promotion and SDH

**Strategic Pillar 3:** Strengthened Health System for Delivery of EHCP;

- **Priority Area 9:** Human Resources for Health
- **Priority Area 10:** Health Infrastructure
- **Priority Area 11:** Medicines, Vaccines, Commodities & Health Technologies
- **Priority Area 12:** Health Information System
- **Priority Area 13:** Research for Health

**Strategic Pillar 4:** Protection from Health Emergencies and Risks

- **Priority Area 14:** Protection from Health Emergencies and Risks

**Strategic Pillar 5:** Health Financing

- **Priority Area 15:** Health financing

The NSHDP II has a total of 15 goals, 48 strategic objectives/targets and 282 interventions from which various specific activities were further drawn.

### **Cost of NSHDP II Strategies**

6. The second National Strategic Health Development Plan (NSHDP II) was costed using the One Health Tool in order to:

- Ensure alignment of all plans with overall national vision;
- Streamline approach across all levels;
- Ensure that actions/interventions costed were derived from NSHDP II Framework;
- Ensure consistency in package of services modeled across all levels;
- Ensure adequacy of the HSS capacity for the proposed service coverage;
- Consistent cost assumptions (quantities and prices of medicines and supplies) across all levels; and
- Generate evidence to support the adoption of the appropriate investment option/policy scenario for the NSHDP II implementation.

7. The cost estimates of the NSHDP II is the aggregate of the 36 States, FCT and Federal Plans which were broken into **Health Services and its management Component as well as the Health System Strengthening and their management Components, respectively.**

**Total Cost of NSHDP II 2017-2021 by Scenarios, in Billion (₦)**

NSHDP II Policy Scenarios	Coverage increase Across Scenarios	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	TOTAL	Mean Cost Per Capita
NSHDP II Essential Package Aggressive Scale-up Scenario	30%	₦ 1,115	₦ 1,365	₦ 1,492	₦ 1,559	₦ 1,790	₦ 7,321	₦ 12,481 (\$ 41)
NSHDP II Essential Package Moderate Scale-up Scenario	17.5%	₦ 947	₦ 1,087	₦ 1,220	₦ 1,325	₦ 1,492	₦ 6,071	₦ 10,342 (\$ 34)
NSHDP II Baseline Scale Scenario	0%	₦ 859	₦ 859	₦ 899	₦ 879	₦ 873	₦ 4,340	₦ 7,372 (\$ 24)

The NSHDP II moderate scenario was estimated at the sum of ₦ 6,071B over the five-year period of the plan with an estimated funding gap of 40% and at mean cost per capita of ₦ 10,342. The moderate essential package scenario is expected to achieve the following reduction in mortality outcomes:

- MMR from 576/100,000 to 400/100,000 Life Birth representing a 31% reduction towards the attainment of global target
- NMR from 39/1,000 to 26/1,000 Life Birth representing a 33% reduction towards the attainment of global target
- U-5MR from 120/1,000 to 85/1,000 Life Birth representing 29% reduction towards the attainment of global target

**Implementation Plan**

8. The NSHDP II will henceforth serve as a blueprint for the health sector over the next five years and will be the basis for a number of activities, including:

- Annual health sector budget development across all levels;
- Alignment of Sector-wide Operational Plans (**SWAP**);
- Sector-wide Operational Plan Implementation Peer Review;
- Sector Performance Review
- Measuring Results
- One-stop shopping list for all Stakeholders - MDAs across all levels, DPs, NGOs, CSO, Private Sectors etc in the Health Sector.

**Next Steps**

9. The next step includes:

- Presentation of the approved NSHDP II to Nigeria Governors Forum for States buy-in to foster implementation;

- Presentation of the approved NSHDP II to the Federal Executive Council (FEC) for ratification;
- Signing of Country Compact with Development Partners and National Stakeholders; and
- Printing, Launch and Dissemination of the NSHDP II.

## **Prayers**

### **10. Council is invited to note that:**

- i. The implementation of the first national health plan (2010-2015) was extended by the 58<sup>th</sup> NCH pending the finalisation of the development of second plan (2017-2021);
- ii. The Honourable Minister of Health inaugurated a TWG to drive the process for development of the plan;
- iii. A national framework was developed to guide the 36 states, FCT and Federal in the development of their specific plans which was validated by all stakeholders;
- iv. The 36 States, FCT and Federal used the National framework to develop their specific and costed plans;
- v. The 36 States, FCT and Federal plans have been harmonised into ONE HEALTH PLAN to be implemented by all stakeholders in the health sector across all levels of governments;
- vi. The harmonised ONE HEALTH PLAN was validated by all stakeholders;
- vii. The validated ONE HEALTH PLAN was subjected to Joint Assessment of National Strategies (JANS) facilitated by WHO and certified to meet international standard for implementation by all stakeholders in health sector, including Development Partners;
- viii. The plan is aligned to the government's Medium Term Economic Recovery and Growth Plan (ERGP);
- ix. The NSHDP II and its associated 36 States, FCT and Federal plans have a stand-alone Monitoring and Evaluation Plans to track progress in implementation; and
- x. The plan shall form the basis for:
  - Annual health sector budget development across all levels;
  - Alignment of Sector-wide Operational Plans (**SWAP**);
  - Sector-wide Operational Plan Implementation Peer Review;
  - Sector Performance Review
  - Measuring Results
  - One-stop shopping list for all Stakeholders - MDAs across all levels, DPs, NGOs, CSO, Private Sectors etc in the Health Sector.

### **Council is further invited to:**

- i. Approve the second National Strategic Health Development Plan (NSHDP II) and its associated 36 States, FCT and Federal plans;
- ii. Approve the implementation of the second National Strategic Health Development Plan (NSHDP II) by all stakeholders in the health sector, including Development Partners across all levels of government;
- iii. Approve that the plan should serve as a blueprint for the entire health sector over the next five years; and
- iv. Approve the M&E Plans of the NSHDP II and its associated 36 States, FCT and Federal Plans for tracking progress during implementation.

**Honourable Minister of Health,**

**JUNE, 2018.**