



# REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL SELECTION)



## Federal Republic of Nigeria

### Immunization Plus and Malaria Progress by Accelerating Coverage and Transforming Services (IMPACT) Project

Health Sector

Credit No.: 6539

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Assignment Title: Technical Assistance Support to 14 SPHCDA PIU

Reference No.: NPHCDA/IMPACT-MPA/CS/INDV/05

The Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Immunization Plus and Malaria Progress by Accelerating Coverage and Promoting Services (IMPACT) Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) is a parastatal of Nigeria's Federal Ministry of Health with the corporate goals to; control preventable diseases and eradicate polio, improve access to basic health services, improve quality of care, develop high-performing health workforce, strengthen the primary care institutions, partnerships, and community engagement.

The Multiphase Programmatic Approach (MPA) is an intervention by Government of Nigeria with a credit from the World Bank to strengthen primary health care to reduce under 5 mortality rates using a Decentralized Facility Financing (DFF) Mechanism. The MPA has 3 phases, starting with an Immunization plus and Malaria Progress by Accelerating Coverage and Transforming Services (IMPACT) project. The IMPACT project is a large investment in the Nigeria health sector with ambitious targets for service improvements and health systems strengthening.

The Project Development Objective (PDO) of the IMPACT project phase One of the MPA is to improve the utilization and quality of immunization plus (immunization, child, neonatal and maternal) and malaria services in selected states.

The project has 4 components; (1) Malaria Control; (2) Immunization plus; (3) Knowledge for Change; (4) Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC) and will be implemented in a total of 20 states. 6 States of Abia, Borno, Ekiti, Imo, Lagos and Rivers, will implement component 1, on malaria control and 14 States of Adamawa, Bauchi, Benue, Delta, Ebonyi, Kaduna, Kano, Kogi, Kwara, Nasarawa, Oyo, Plateau, Sokoto and Yobe, will implement component 2, the immunization plus component of the project.

The project will be implemented by 2 Project Implementing Units (PIUs) at the Federal level situated at the National Malaria Elimination Program (NMEP) for components 1 and 3 and at the National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) for components 2 and 3. Similarly, at the State level, the PIUs at State Malaria Elimination Program (SMEP) will implement component 1 in the Malaria States and State Primary Health Care Boards (SPHCBs), component 2 in the Immunization Plus States.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE

The consulting services ("the Services") include:

**1. State Reproductive, Maternal, Neonatal, Child, Adolescent Health and Nutrition (RMNCAH+N) Technical Assistant for the Immunization Plus and Malaria Progress By Accelerating Coverage and Transforming Services (IMPACT) Project.**

##### Objective of the service

The core objective of this assignment is to provide technical and operational support to the IMPACT PIU and facilitate the implementation of the project according to the approved annual work plans.

The State RMNCAH+N TA will help ensure reduction in under-five mortality rates (U5MR) especially as it relates to RMNCAH+N in the state overall and support lagging LGAs in implementing innovational interventions that will promote transformational change in their coverage rates within the shortest possible time. This will be done in accordance with the principles of result-based management and the TA's payment will be prorated based on improved Programme Assessment for Performance management and Action (PAPA) LQAS and other programmatic results.

**2. State Immunization Technical Assistant for the Immunization Plus and Malaria Progress By Accelerating Coverage and Transforming Services (IMPACT) Project.**

##### Objective of the service

The core objective of this assignment is to provide technical and operational support to the IMPACT PIU and facilitate the implementation of the project according to the approved annual work plans.

The State Immunization TA will help ensure reduction in under-five mortality rates (U5MR) especially as it relates to Vaccine Preventable Diseases (VPDs) in the state overall and support lagging LGAs in implementing innovational interventions that will promote transformational change in their coverage rates within the shortest possible time. This will be done in accordance with the principles of result-based management and the TA's payment will be prorated based on improved Programme Assessment for Performance management and Action (PAPA) LQAS and other programmatic results.

#### Period of Assignment (for both State RMNCAH+N & Immunization TA)

The engagement will be full-time, for an initial period of two years, with an opportunity for review of performance and possible renewal subject to satisfactory quarterly (every three months) performance review.

Job Location (for both State RMNCAH+N & Immunization TA)

Adamawa, Bauchi, Benue, Delta, Ebonyi, Kaduna, Kano, Kogi, Kwara, Nasarawa, Oyo, Plateau, Sokoto and Yobe States.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: NPHCDA Website <https://nphcda.gov.ng> or can be obtained at the address given below.

The Immunization Plus and Malaria Progress by Accelerating Coverage and Promoting Services (IMPACT) Project now invites eligible individuals ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

#### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The shortlisting criteria are:

##### Essential Minimum Qualifications and Experience

1. Advanced public health degree with more than 5 years' experience in RMNCAH+N, public health and/or health system strengthening. Demonstrable experience working with government and partner agencies at national level is an asset (for State RMNCAH+N TA only)
2. An immunization specialist with an Advanced Public Health Degree with more than 5 years' experience in immunization, public health and/or health system strengthening. Demonstrable experience working with government and partner agencies at national and sub-national level is an asset (for State Immunization TA only)
3. In-depth understanding of the Nigerian health system and RMNCAH+N policies and programs (for State RMNCAH+N TA only)
4. In-depth understanding of the Nigerian health system and current immunization innovations, policies, and programs (for State Immunization TA only)
5. Experience in implementation of RMNCAH+N interventions (for State RMNCAH+N TA only)
6. Experience in implementation of immunization interventions (for State Immunization TA only)
7. Demonstrated capacity to effectively coordinate organizations with good expertise in navigating and strengthening relationships among government and development organizations. (for both State RMNCAH+N & Immunization TA)
8. Extensive experience with large scale health systems strengthening interventions, particularly in the public sector. (for State RMNCAH+N TA only)
9. Extensive experience with large scale health systems strengthening interventions, particularly in the immunization and other public sector (for State Immunization TA only)
10. Significant experience in strategic planning, organizational development, change facilitation and process management in the health sector (for both State TA RMNCAH+N & Immunization TA)

##### Desirable Qualifications and Competencies

1. Strong team spirit, managerial, problem-solving skills and ability to work in a high-pressure environment (for both State RMNCAH+N & Immunization TA)
2. Strong diplomatic and interpersonal relationship skills (for both RMNCAH+N & Immunization TA)
3. Ability to travel within Nigeria without limitation (for both State RMNCAH+N & Immunization TA)
4. Strong analytical skills and a high level of technical proficiency with Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint (for both State RMNCAH+N & Immunization TA)
5. Fluency in English (verbal and written). (for both State RMNCAH+N & Immunization TA)

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 and revised November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant Selection method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours i.e 0900 to 1600 hours.

#### METHOD OF APPLICATION

Expressions of Interest (including a CV) indicating the preferred assignment (i.e either **State TA RMNCAH+N** or **State TA Immunization**) and specific state applied for, must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person or by courier mail on or before 1200noon 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

Eligible Individuals ("Consultants") may indicate interest for **only one (1) Project State** out of the 14 States (i.e **Adamawa, Bauchi, Benue, Delta, Ebonyi, Kaduna, Kano, Kogi, Kwara, Nasarawa, Oyo, Plateau, Sokoto and Yobe States**)

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