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Kaduna State Explores Rwanda's Data Leadership Model in Strategic Study Visit

In a move to deepen data-driven governance and strengthen statistical systems in Kaduna State, a high-level delegation led by the Honourable Commissioner of the Kaduna State Planning and Budget Commission, Hon. Mukhtar Ahmed, recently concluded a strategic study tour to the National Institute of Statistics Rwanda (NISR).

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NFTI Concludes Longitudinal Study Peer Review Learning Session with Kaduna North LGA Health Facility Leaders

NFTI hosted a one-day final peer review learning session and bi-monthly briefing cadence with health facility in-charges and representatives from Kaduna North Local Government Area (LGA). The meeting marked the culmination of several months of data collection, capacity building, and peer engagement as part of NFTI's longitudinal study on health systems strengthening.

Far too often, health systems rely on fragmented data that provide only temporary glimpses into complex realities. While valuable for immediate diagnostics, one-off surveys are insufficient for tracking progress, diagnosing systemic weaknesses, or implementing long-term reforms. This limitation is especially critical in resource-constrained environments where efficient and equitable service delivery is vital.

This is precisely the challenge that the NFTI Longitudinal Study is tackling in Kaduna State, where the foundation is consistently collecting and analyzing health system data across Kaduna North, Kaduna South, Chikun, and Makarfi LGAs over time. The study aims to understand not just what is happening, but why, how, and with what consequences. It is an approach to public health monitoring, one that introduces nuance, continuity, and a focus on outcomes rather than optics.

However, to fully realize the potential of this longitudinal model, the integration of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) has become indispensable. Geospatial technology provides the essential spatial layer that transforms numbers into narratives and locations into living stories. Through accurate mapping and facility polygonization, GIS ensures that data are both credible and contextually anchored, enabling decision makers to act with precision.

Accurate facility mapping—particularly through polygonization—fills a crucial gap in our study. By converting facility point locations into precise geographical polygons, stakeholders can determine actual service coverage areas, identify underserved communities, detect overlapping jurisdictions, and plan future investments with clarity. **Read More**

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NFTI Participates In Nigeria Health Watch Policy Dialogue

NFTI participated in the Nigeria Health Watch policy dialogue themed "Advancing Sustainable Financing and Workforce Capacity for Equitable Primary Health Care Delivery and Improved Health Outcomes." The event in Kaduna served as a high-level convening of key stakeholders focused on addressing persistent challenges in the state's primary healthcare (PHC) system through actionable strategies and collective will. NFTI was represented by the Head of Digital Development, Mrs. Aisha Sani.

The symposium featured rich panel discussions on two major themes: advancing sustainable financing for equitable healthcare delivery and tackling workforce challenges that continue to hamper service delivery in PHC settings. The discussions were important given the ongoing efforts to operationalize Nigeria's Health Sector Investment Renewal Plan (2023–2026), which aims to reposition the health system through better financing, improved workforce distribution, and enhanced accountability.

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Kaduna State Advances Health Facility Governance Through Stakeholder Engagement on Reclassification and Directory Update

Kaduna State has taken a major step toward transforming its healthcare governance and planning systems with a stakeholder engagement meeting on the Health Facility Directory and Reclassification Exercise. The session, convened by the Kaduna State Ministry of Health with support from the Natview Foundation for Technology Innovation (NFTI), brought together key representatives from the State Primary Health Care Board (SPHCB), Kaduna State Bureau of Statistics (KDBS), zonal health offices, and local government health teams.

Data Champions Impact Story.

The work of the NFTI Data Champions at the Primary Healthcare Facilities in Kaduna State will redefine how decisions are made, bringing precision and purpose to development across the State.

> I thought I'd just be collecting data... but I ended up collecting stories too.
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> Behind every number is a life. And she never forgot that.

Hafsat A.
An NFTI Data Champion, during a field visit to a PHC in Kaduna.

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Deepening the Impact of DSFP Through Specialization Tracks

Deepening the Impact of **DSFP** through **Specialization** Tracks

This year, we took a bold leap forward to introduce specialization tracks in Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning, Data Engineering, and GIS to the prestigious Click-On Kaduna Data Science Fellowship Program. The goal is to equip fellows with globally competitive but locally relevant skills.

In this piece, we reflect on the evolution of the fellowship program, the logic behind specialization, its impact on the fellows, and how this innovation can serve as a blueprint for data science education in Africa.

Partnership Announcement

Natview Foundation is excited to join the British Council's network of professionals to support social transformation for young people through the Non-Formal Education portfolio in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA). We look forward to working with the British Council to tackle challenges that impact young people's lived experiences around climate change, conflict and stability, employability, disconnection, and alienation. We are committed to empowering youth and creating sustainable, positive change. Follow our journey as we continue to deliver sustainable transformation for young people.

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