2023 CHESIDS ANNUAL REPORT





Dear Esteemed Board Members,

In reflecting upon the remarkable year that 2023 was, it is with great honor and a sense of accomplishment that we present to you the CHESIDS Annual Report for the year ending December 2023.

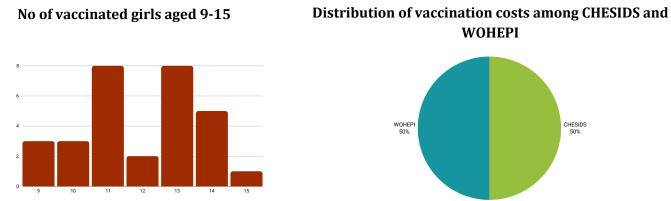
From the successful launch of The Next Hundred Girls Receiving HPV vaccine project to the expansion of The Next Hundred Public Health Stewards program, this narrative is not just a report but an acknowledgment of the collective efforts that have propelled CHESIDS forward.

The report encapsulates a year of strategic initiatives, impactful programs and organizational growth. As Trustees, your guidance and support have been instrumental in navigating the triumphs and challenges that we encountered.

We look forward to your insights and guidance as we navigate the path ahead.

The Next Hundred Girls Receiving the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine project

Launched in January 2023, this project increased HPV vaccine equity among girls in Benue state. 20 girls aged 9-15 received the complete dosage of the vaccine and another 10 received the first dose. This was before the Federal government's national rollout of routine immunisation program therefore CHESIDS in partnership with Women's Health Empowerment and Peace Initiative (WOHEPI) covered the cost for the vaccination of the 30 girls.



With the Federal government's announcement of the HPV vaccine rollout plan, we got support from members of the CHESIDS BOT and took the message to the grassroots! Within four communities in Benue and FCT, we reached 617 school children, community leaders, and women groups with information on HPV infection, prevention, and cervical cancer. CHESIDS also leveraged our budding social media community to reach 307 Instagram accounts through a 4-part Instagram live series.

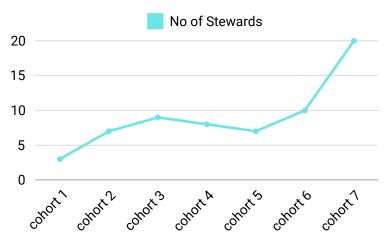
Conducting HPV awareness campaigns in Benue and FCT



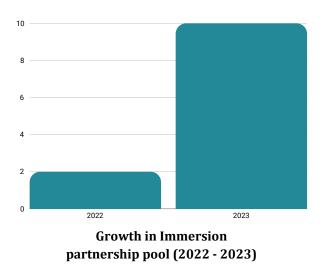
The Next Hundred Public Health Stewards (TNH-PHS) Program:

Our flagship; TNH-PHS Program got bigger and better!

We successfully completed two cohorts in 2023, increasing the total number of our participants to 64!



Our immersion partnership pool also grew by an astronomical 400%! We grew from 2 to 10 immersion partners and this means less waiting time for our stewards.



These partners provide an integrative learning experience and build leadership competence among our stewards through a three-month public health learning experience.

Of even greater significance is the additional opportunities that some of our partners create for these young people. For instance, 2 stewards enjoyed a three-month immersion extension to make for deeper learning and 4 stewards have been retained as staff within the partner organizations following their outstanding performance and good conduct during their immersion. This is in addition to four others that were retained in 2022.

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16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence:

We joined the rest of the world to commemorate the 2023 #Orangetheworld 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence. CHESIDS along with members of TNH-PHS Alumni joined other partners and stakeholders the FCT Roadwalk:



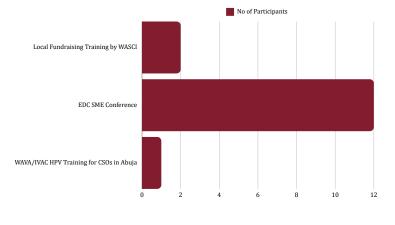


Capacity Building Opportunities

We made significant investments to strengthen the capacity of our staff and The Next Hundred Alumni. Throughout the year, our team participated in transformative trainings such as the Local Fundraising training by WASCI, the EDC SME Conference for women, and the WAVA/IVAC HPV training for CSOs in Abuja. The result of these trainings include a functional Local Fundraising Plan through which funds were raised to conduct awareness campaigns on The Next Hundred Girls Receiving HPV Vaccination project.

TRAINING PROGRAM	PARTICIPANTS	KEY OUTCOMES
Local Fundraising Training by WASCI	2 CHESIDS Staff	Functional Local Fundraising plan developed, funds raised used for awareness campaigns on the rollout of the HPV vaccination program. Increased fundraising capacity for future initiatives.
EDC SME Conference	THE NEXT HUNDRED Alumni and CHESIDS Staff	Enhanced knowledge of business and entrepreneurial skills, strengthened economic empowerment of the alumni
WAVA/IVAC HPV training for CSOs	CHESIDS Staff	Improved advocacy and awareness raising skills, strengthened collaboration between CHESIDS and other CSOs for public health initiatives

Graph showing no of participants per program



Innovations and Technology:

All through 2023, CHESIDS boldly tried out new and innovative ways of conducting our affairs and achieved good results.

• The adoption of platforms like Asana and Slack have enhanced collaboration and streamlined project management within our team.



• We also transitioned from traditional webmail to Google Workspace. A move that has provided our team with the tools needed to navigate our mission with more agility and effectiveness.

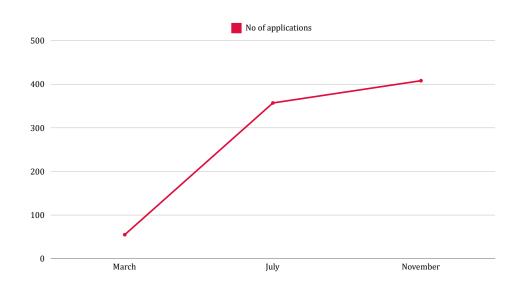
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• We also tweaked our application process, and as a result, applications for The Next Hundred Public Health Stewards Program grew from 55 in March to 357 in July and 408 in November! Like our Co-Founder always says, "Onwards and Upwards"

Graph showing the increase in application numbers after transition

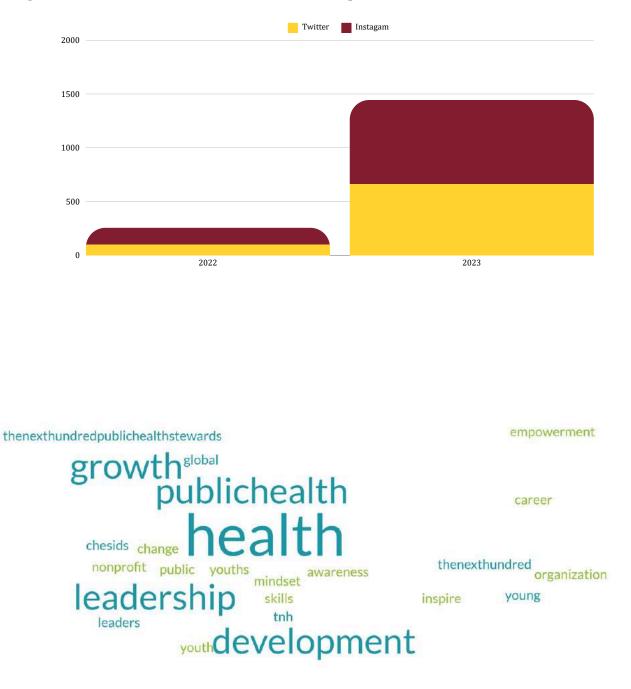


Social media and Outreach

Our growth in 2023 was also evident in our online presence.

Instagram: At the beginning of the year, our Instagram followers numbered 155. Today, we proudly report a significant surge to 779 followers, reflecting a remarkable increase in our online community.

Twitter: The growth on our Twitter page has been equally impressive. Starting the year with less than 100 followers, we have now built a community of 667 followers, underscoring the expanding reach and influence of CHESIDS on this platform.



Collaborations and Partnerships

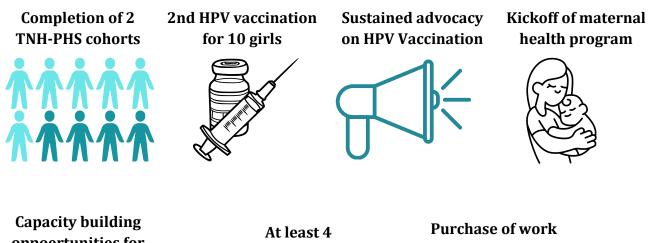
- We partnered with our long time partner WOHEPI, to implement The Next Hundred Girls Receiving HPV Vaccine project in Benue State.
- We continued our immersion partnership with TA Connect and NOI Polls. Immersion partners provide a 3-month hands-on coaching and on-the-job training for The Next Hundred Public Health Stewards. Following their 3-day orientation.
- To support the immersion of our growing number of stewards, we initiated immersion partnerships with Solina Center for International Development (SCIDaR), Nigeria Health Watch (NHW), Health Aid for All Initiative (HAFAI), GemHub Initiative, Silver Lining for the Needy Initiative (SLNI), Vaccine Network for Disease Control (VNDC) and Africa Resource Centre for Excellence in Supply Chain Management (ARC-ESM).
- More recently, we also signed an immersion and resource mobilization partnership with Options Consultancy Services.
- On our Menstrual Hygiene Program, we partnered with three organisations; The Girls, Ladies and Women Empowerment Initiative, Public Intel Security Africa and The Town Crier Initiative, to conduct a webinar on the topic, "Youths and Menstrual Hygiene in Nigeria"

Our Partners



Goals for 2024

- Complete two cohorts of The Next Hundred Public Health Stewards Program, reaching 40 new stewards to our growing pool.
- Complete the HPV vaccination administration for the 10 girls that were initiated in 2023. Will also sustain advocacy and awareness creation for HPV vaccination uptake.
- Kick-off our maternal health program with an initial focus on improving maternal and household nutrition.
- Organise at least two capacity building opportunities for CHESIDS staff and TNH-PHS Alumni
- Purchase work tools (laptops, digital camera).
- Interview at least four Public Health Leaders on the Conversations with Public Health Leaders Program.



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Conversations with public health leaders tools

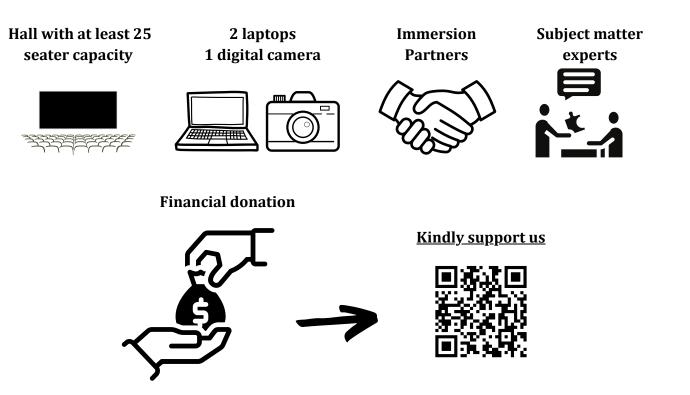


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Our needs for 2024

We need:

- A hall with a capacity to seat 25 persons for TNH-PHS Program Orientations
- Subject matter experts to deliver on the 8 modules for the 3-day orientations.
- New immersion partners to accommodate our growing pool (typically we partner with organisations with a focus on public health).
- Two laptop computers
- One digital camera
- Financial donations to support our operations and programs



The year 2023 was a testament to CHESIDS' commitment to impactful initiatives and sustained growth. We celebrate our achievements, acknowledge the collective efforts and eagerly embrace the opportunities that lie ahead.

As we forge ahead, we anticipate your valuable insights and support.



THANK YOU !!





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