



BAUCHI STATE HEALTH BUDGET SCORECARD

Providing funds for health is a requisite for achieving a healthy citizenry. However, budgeting for the health sector in any State in the country, without some form of monitoring of its performance, will not achieve the desired effect of a healthy populace. One of the ways of monitoring the performance of the budget is through a scorecard and in this case a budget scorecard. It is a monitoring tool that can be used to elicit social and public accountability and also increase the responsiveness of service providers and policy makers, among others. To this end, the Bauchi State Accountability Mechanism for Maternal and Newborn Health (BaSAM) produced the Bauchi State 2015 Health Budget Scorecard. It assessed four distinct areas of Transparency, Participation, Adequate Resource Allocation and Budget Release for key agencies delivering Maternal and Newborn Health (MNH) in Bauchi State. It is published by MamaYe-Evidence for Action (E4A) for the information of the general public.

TRANSPARENCY		ADHERENCE TO TIMETABLE		POOR ADHERENCE TO TIMETABLE
Annual publication of State Health Accounts		<12 months since last publication	18 months since last publication	>18 months since last publication
Adherence to Budget Timetable		Call circular issued in July	Call Circular Issued in August	Call Circular issued after August
Timely publication of enacted Health Budget		1 week after Governor's assent	< 3 weeks after Governor's assent	>1 month after Governor's assent
Timely Budget releases to Hospital Management Board				
Timely budget releases to Ministry of Health		>70 % released on time	51 -69% released on time	<50% released on time
Timely budget releases to Bauchi State Primary Health Care Devt. Agency (BSPHCDA)				

PARTICIPATION		PUBLIC PARTICIPATION		POOR PARTICIPATION
MOH holds public consultations with communities/ CSOs on annual budget		Annual consultations	Irregular consultations	No consultation
Civil society invited to participate in annual budget planning and Medium Term Sector Strategy (MTSS) by State Planning Commission		Annual invitations	Irregular invitations	No invitation
CSOs submit memo/analysis during health budget defence at State House of Assembly		Memo/analysis submitted	Participate but no memo submitted	No participation

ADEQUATE RESOURCE ALLOCATION		ADEQUATE ALLOCATION		POOR ALLOCATION
Per capita health budget is at least \$86 (WHO)		> \$86	\$43-63	<\$43
Health budget is 15% of General Government Expenditure		>15%	Increase since last year and <15%	Decrease since last year and <10%
States allocate counterpart fund for Midwives Service Scheme		> 25%	Increase since last year & <25%	Decrease since last year and <25%

BUDGET RELEASE		APPROPRIATE RELEASE		POOR RELEASE
Capital Budget release made to BSPHCDA		>90%	70%-90%	<70%
Capital Budget release made to Ministry of Health				

COLOUR KEY	
ALL CRITERIA MET	
SOME CRITERIA MET	
NO CRITERIA MET	



BaSAM CALLS ON THE BAUCHI STATE GOVERNMENT TO:

- 🕒 Publish budget information on time
- 🕒 Release budget funds for capital project on time
- 🕒 Ensure over 70% of capital funds are released
- 🕒 Budget adequate resources to health

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