



# QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

HEALTHCARE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA

**October – December 2024**



Healthcare Federation  
of Nigeria

As we step into 2025 with hope and determination, the Healthcare Federation of Nigeria (HFN) is delighted to present our Q4 2024 newsletter—a reflection of the strides we made in the final quarter of the year. This period was marked by notable collaborations, policy advancements, and landmark events, each contributing to our shared mission of achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

## HFN HOSTS HISTORIC HEALTHCARE POLICY DIALOGUE 2024







# LAGOS TRAUMA CONFERENCE 2024

DATE: 3RD OCTOBER 2024



HFN President, Dr Pamela Ajayi attended the Lagos Trauma Conference where she delivered a goodwill message. The event was a significant milestone in the advancement of healthcare in Lagos State, marking the upgrade of Epe General Hospital to a Federal Medical Center (FMC). It saw the key participation of the Lagos State Governor, Mr Babajide Sanwo-Olu and the Minister of State for Health and Social Welfare, Dr. Tunji Alausa.



Dr. Ajayi discussed key issues necessary for improving emergency care, including the need for a law to protect first responders (also known as the Good Samaritan law) to be passed in Lagos State. She also emphasized the need for an emergency fund to ensure payment to medical facilities that care for such patients.





# ABBOTT HIV CONTINUUM OF CARE INNOVATION SUMMIT

Date: 7th October 2024

HFN President Dr. Pamela Ajayi delivered a goodwill message at the Abbott HIV Continuum of Care Innovation Summit. Co-organized by Abbott Rapid Diagnostics and JNC International Ltd., the summit aimed to bring together key stakeholders in the fight against HIV/AIDS.

Notable attendees included the Minister of State for Health, Dr. Tunji Alausa; Special Adviser to the President on Health, Dr Salma Anas; First Lady of Kwara State, Dr. Mrs. Olufolake AbdulRazaq; several Commissioners of Health Managing Director of JNCI, Mrs. Clare Omatseye; and Deputy Managing Director of SFH, Dr. Jennifer Anyanti, among others.







# HFN HOSTS HISTORIC HEALTHCARE POLICY DIALOGUE

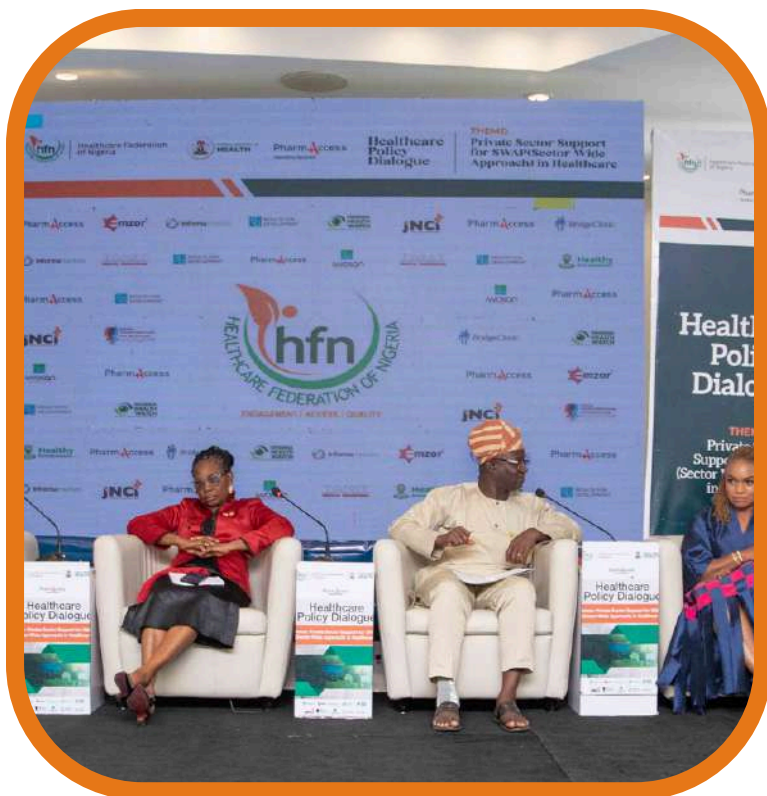
DATE: 8TH OCTOBER 2024



In a landmark event, HFN successfully hosted a high-level healthcare policy dialogue in Abuja, focused on forging sustainable health system reforms through public-private partnerships (PPPs). Themed "Private Sector Support for SWAP (Sector-Wide Approach) in Healthcare," this gathering brought together two distinguished ministers, key dignitaries, international experts, and influential healthcare leaders to chart a new course for Nigeria's healthcare sector.



The dialogue featured impactful addresses from the Coordinating Minister of Health and Social Welfare, Prof. Muhammad Pate, and the Minister of State for Health, Dr. Tunji Alausa, underscoring the significance of the gathering and highlighting a confluence of Nigeria's top health policymakers and influential healthcare leaders, all dedicated to advancing the nation's healthcare agenda.



# HEALTHCARE POLICY DIALOGUE 2024

Date: 8th OCTOBER 2024

The Healthcare Policy Dialogue featured insightful discussions across multiple panels, bringing together key stakeholders from the private and public sectors to address critical challenges and opportunities in Nigeria's healthcare landscape.

Panels explored critical themes, including the integration of digital health platforms and innovations like AI to enhance healthcare delivery in Nigeria.

Discussions also centered on expanding health insurance coverage, addressing enrollment inefficiencies, and ensuring financial protection for vulnerable populations. Another panel examined strategies to improve maternal and child health, strengthen local healthcare manufacturing, and enhance regulatory frameworks for a more resilient health system.







# HEALTHCARE POLICY DIALOGUE 2024 GALLERY

DATE: 8TH OCTOBER 2024











# COURTESY VISIT TO THE LEADERSHIP OF ALGON

DATE: 17TH OCTOBER 2024



The President and Vice President of the HFN, Dr. Pamela Ajayi and Mrs. Njide Ndili, took out time to pay a courtesy visit to the newly elected Chairman of the Association of Local Governments of Nigeria (ALGON), Hon. (Engr.) Bello Lawal, to congratulate him on his recent election.



During the visit, they introduced HFN and discussed how the Federation's experience in Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) at the primary healthcare level can be scaled to all Local Government Areas (LGAs). HFN emphasized the private sector's readiness to support ALGON, particularly following the Supreme Court's ruling granting ALGON autonomy over primary healthcare centers. Also in attendance was Dr. Ben Nkechika, CEO of Almond Healthcare and ALGON consultant on health.







## HFN–PVAC partner to strengthen healthcare innovation, funding

Date: 21st October 2024

HFN, in collaboration with the Presidential Initiative for Unlocking the Healthcare Value Chain (PVAC), hosted a landmark pitch event where 14 shortlisted HFN member companies had the unique opportunity to present their innovative healthcare solutions to a panel of esteemed experts.

The event was marked by the presence of key dignitaries, including Dr. Abdu Mukhtar, National Coordinator of PVAC; Prof. Akin Abayomi, Hon. Commissioner of Health, Lagos State; Dr. Okechukwu Enelamah, former Minister of Industry, Trade, and Investment; Mr. Ajibola Olomola, Partner and Head of Deal Advisory at KPMG West Africa; Dr. Richardson Ajayi, Founder of Bridge Clinic; Dr. Richard Ajayi; Adesuwa Okunbo Rhodes, CEO, Aruwa Capital Management, amongst others.







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# AFRICA HEALTH CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITIONS

DATE: 22ND - 24TH OCTOBER 2024



HFN members were sponsored to participate in the Africa Health Conference and Exhibitions, held from October 22 to 24, 2024, at the Cape Town International Convention Centre, South Africa. As one of Africa's largest healthcare gatherings, the event brought together industry leaders, innovators, and policymakers to explore the latest advancements in healthcare technology, services, and policy.



The event had hundreds of exhibitors, and provided a robust platform for growth, networking, and sharing ideas with leading healthcare stakeholders across Africa, offering our members unique insights and inspiration to drive impactful change within Nigeria's healthcare landscape. They were also able to identify organisations willing to engage in local production in Nigeria.





## TOUR OF NETCARE N1 CITY HOSPITAL

Date: 22nd - 24th OCTOBER 2024

Our members also had the opportunity to discuss with the Management and tour one of South Africa's leading healthcare facilities, Netcare N1 City Hospital, renowned for its advanced technology and patient-centered care. In addition to these activities, HFN co-hosted a special dinner for members, offering a chance to unwind, reflect, and share insights from the day's sessions.

## SFH INNOVATION HUB UNVEILING

Date: 1st November 2024

Vice President of HFN, Mrs. Njide Ndili, attended the official unveiling of the Society for Family Health (SFH) Innovation Hub in Lagos. The event hosted several key dignitaries, including the Lagos State Commissioner of Health, Professor Akin Abayomi, Permanent Secretary, Lagos State Ministry of Health, Dr Olusegun Ogboye, Former President, Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria (PSN), Pharm. Ahmed Yakasai, among others.







# GLOBAL FINANCING FACILITY INVESTORS GROUP MEETING

DATE: 4TH NOVEMBER 2024



At the Global Financing Facility (GFF) Investors Group Meeting in Abuja, HFN President Dr. Pamela Ajayi delivered a presentation on the essential role of private-sector collaboration in transforming Nigeria's healthcare landscape. She advocated for blended financing to strengthen the private sector and emphasized the need for sustainable funding models to scale healthcare innovations.



HFN led a delegation to the GFF meeting, which included HFN Secretary and CEO of CareOne Hospitals, Dr. Segun Ebitanmi, and Chief Operating Officer of R-Jolad Hospital, Mr. Soji Osunsedo. They highlighted key initiatives such as public-private partnerships for primary healthcare concessioning, the development of neonatal facilities, healthcare digitalization, and the adoption of renewable energy. These efforts underscore HFN's commitment to addressing healthcare gaps and advancing health outcomes in Nigeria.





## 65TH NATIONAL COUNCIL ON HEALTH MEETING

Date: 21st November 2024

During the 65th National Council on Health Meeting in Maiduguri, Borno State, HFN President Dr. Pamela Ajayi delivered a key response on behalf of private-sector organizations at the ALGON Primary Healthcare Revitalization Stakeholders Forum. Dr. Ajayi's address highlighted the critical role the private sector plays in strengthening Nigeria's primary healthcare system.

She commended the initiative developed by ALGON and highlighted how collaboration between Government, private sector stakeholders, and development partners can strengthen healthcare delivery, improve access, and progressively address systemic gaps.

Her remarks underscored HFN's commitment to working alongside government bodies and other stakeholders to revitalize primary healthcare services across Nigeria.







# AFRICA MEDICAL TOURISM CONGRESS (AMTC) 2024

DATE: 27TH NOVEMBER 2024



HFN President, Dr. Pamela Ajayi, delivered a compelling presentation at the Africa Medical Tourism Congress (AMTC) 2024 in Abidjan, highlighting Nigeria's strides in healthcare innovation and medical tourism. The event brought together healthcare leaders from across the continent to discuss strategies for advancing medical tourism, fostering cross-border collaborations, and showcasing Africa's potential as a global healthcare destination.



She highlighted the transformative impact of public-private partnerships, the invaluable contributions of the Nigerian diaspora, and the achievements of the country's healthcare centers of excellence in driving innovation and expanding access to care. Dr. Ajayi strongly advocated for Lagos as a premier hub for medical tourism, urging medical tourists to leverage Nigeria's specialized services and internationally accredited healthcare facilities.



# SPECIAL FEATURES

## DR. IZIAQ SALAKO APPOINTED MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH

Date: 4th November 2024

The healthcare sector in Nigeria welcomes a new Minister of State for Health, Dr. Iziaq Kunle Salako, who succeeds Dr. Tunji Alausa in the role. As he takes on this pivotal position, HFN looks forward to continued collaboration with the ministry under his leadership to drive innovation, improve healthcare access, and strengthen the health systems across Nigeria.



**DR. IZIAQ KUNLE SALAKO**

Honourable Minister of State for Health and Social Welfare

## COURTESY VISIT TO NGF SECRETARIAT

Date: 22nd November 2024

HFN President, Dr. Pamela Ajayi, paid a courtesy visit to the Senior Health Advisor of the Nigeria Governors' Forum, Dr. Ahmad Abdulwahab, to explore collaborative opportunities aimed at strengthening healthcare delivery across Nigeria. This visit highlights HFN's ongoing efforts to engage with key stakeholders in the healthcare ecosystem, fostering partnerships that contribute to sustainable health reforms nationwide.



## WEBINAR: THE BUSINESS VALUE OF QUALITY

Date: 12th December 2024

In commemorating the 2024 UHC Day, HFN hosted an engaging webinar titled The Business Value of Quality, bringing together healthcare stakeholders to discuss the critical role of quality in enhancing healthcare delivery and driving profitability in healthcare businesses.







# PHARMACCESS RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

DATE: 26TH NOVEMBER 2024



HFN Treasurer, Mrs Chinyere Okorocho, on behalf of the President, Dr Pamela Ajayi, delivered a goodwill message at the recent PharmAccess Research Symposium themed "Innovating Healthcare in Nigeria: Connecting Research and Policy for Universal Health Coverage." Mrs. Okorocho, emphasized the critical role of evidence-based research in driving effective healthcare policies that can accelerate Nigeria's journey toward UHC.



The event which was aimed at linking policy formation with credible scientific data, brought together key stakeholders including Dr. Abdu Mukhtar, National Coordinator of PVAC initiative; Mr. Jurgen Bartelink, Deputy Ambassador of the Netherlands to Nigeria; Prof. John Obafunwa, Director General, Nigerian Institute of Medical Research (NIMR); amongst many others.





## 16th Edition of the MEDays, Morocco

Date: 30th November 2024

HFN President, Dr. Pamela Ajayi, participated in the 16th Edition of the MEDays Forum, held in Tangier, Morocco, from November 27-30, 2024. This prestigious forum brought together global leaders, policymakers, and experts to discuss critical issues shaping the geopolitical and economic landscape. Dr. Ajayi was invited to contribute to two pivotal sessions during the forum.

Here, she is speaking at a roundtable discussion on “Africa-Europe Relations: Shaping a Concrete, Balanced, and Multidimensional Partnership for Shared Prosperity,” where she explored pathways to building equitable partnerships between the two regions. In this session, Dr. Ajayi underscored the vital role of healthcare in driving sustainable development and advocated for policies that support growth, innovation, and long-term economic stability.





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# INTERNATIONAL HEALTH MINISTERIAL SUMMIT 2024

DATE: 4TH-5TH, DECEMBER, 2024



HFN President Dr. Pamela Ajayi led a delegation to participate in the recently concluded inaugural International Health Ministerial Summit held in Kigali, Rwanda, on December 4-5, 2024. HFN members present included the HFN Treasurer Mrs. Chinyere Okorocha, HFN IPP/CEO JNCI, Pharm. Clare Omatseye; Dr. Tokunbo Shitta-Bey, CEO Duchess Hospital; amongst several others.



Dr. Pamela Ajayi, as Co-Chair of a Roundtable Session opened discussions on the theme "Driving Sustainable Healthcare in Africa through Local Production Capacity of Drugs and Medical Commodities." Emphasizing the critical need for strengthening local production capacities in Africa, she highlighted climate change as a pressing issue that should be addressed with sustainable solutions to ensure resilient healthcare systems. Dr. Ajayi further stressed the critical importance of fostering collaboration among African nations, highlighting the need to bridge language barriers to strengthen partnerships and achieve shared healthcare goals across the continent.





## HEPAN AWARDS DR AJAYI

DATE: 7TH, DECEMBER, 2024

President of HFN, Dr. Pamela Ajayi, was recognized with an Award of Excellence by the Healthcare Equipment and Allied Products Providers Association of Nigeria (HEPAN) during its 5th Annual General Meeting and National Conference held in Abuja. The event brought together key stakeholders to discuss pressing challenges in the healthcare equipment sector, including regulatory hurdles, high costs, and delayed payments.

Dr. Ajayi, in her remarks, commended HEPAN's efforts to combat the influx of substandard healthcare equipment and stressed the critical importance of ensuring that medical devices used in Nigerian hospitals meet high-quality standards. She highlighted the need for skilled technical personnel to maintain medical equipment effectively, emphasizing that patient safety and quality healthcare delivery remain paramount.





# STRATEGIC MEETING WITH NGF

DATE: 17TH DECEMBER, 2024



HFN held a strategic meeting with the Senior Health Advisor of the Nigeria Governors' Forum (NGF), Dr. Ahmad Abdulwahab, to review the Delta State Access to Finance (A2F) Model. The meeting brought together key players involved including, Dr Pamela Ajayi, Dr. Segun Ebitanmi, Dr. Ben Nkechika, Dr. Jennifer Anyanti, Dr. Itunu Akinware, among others.

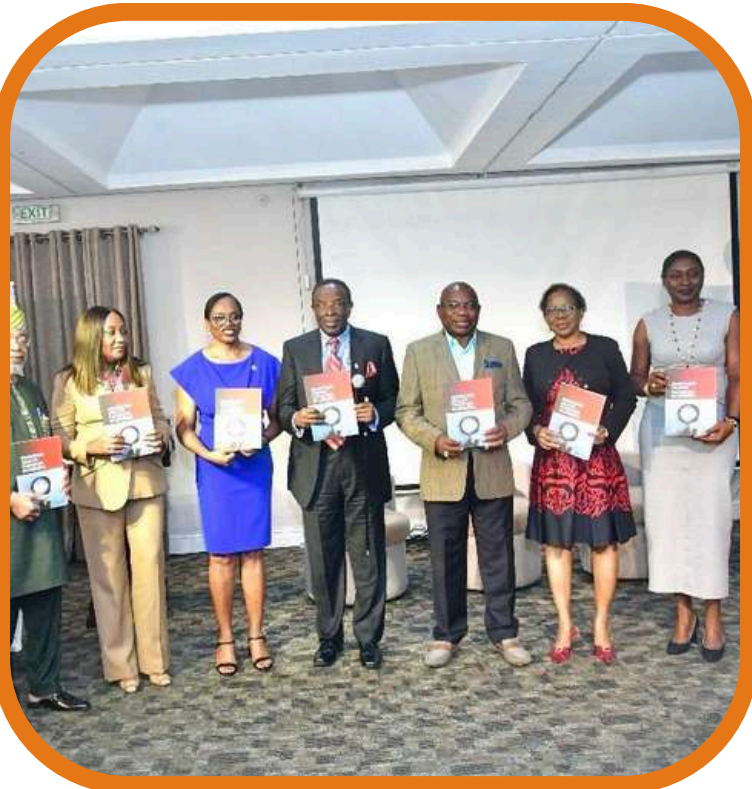


The goal of the meeting was to redesign the A2F Model for adoption by the NGF, ensuring its scalability and effectiveness in addressing healthcare financing challenges nationwide. The discussions highlighted opportunities to strengthen the model and align it with the broader objectives of improving access to quality healthcare through innovative and sustainable financing solutions.



## BUSINESS DAY REPORT ON "FRONTLINE HEALTH FACILITIES IN NIGERIA,"

DATE: 17TH, DECEMBER, 2024



HFN Vice President and Country Director of PharmAccess, Mrs. Njide Ndili, participated at the launch of the report "Frontline Health Facilities in Nigeria," authored by Dr. Femi Olugbile and published by BusinessDay Media Limited.

The event brought together key stakeholders in the healthcare sector to examine the state of frontline health facilities across Nigeria and explore actionable pathways for improvement.

The report showcased exemplary frontline hospitals across the country, including several HFN-member facilities such as Paelon Memorial Hospital, Cedarcrest Hospital, Bridge Fertility Clinic, Marcelle Ruth Cancer Center, Iwosan Lagoon Hospital, and Lakeshore Cancer Center, among others, highlighting their contributions to advancing healthcare delivery in Nigeria.





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# WOMENS FORUM END OF YEAR EVENT



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The event featured thought-provoking sessions led by distinguished speakers including Dr. Olayinka Jibunoh, Mrs. Chinyere Okorocho, Dr. Ngozi Onyia, amongst others. It provided a unique opportunity for young women to participate in mentorship sessions, where they engaged in one-on-one conversations with successful, accomplished leaders. These interactions offered invaluable guidance, inspiration, and practical advice to help them navigate their careers and achieve their professional goals.

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# 2025

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



### REGISTRATION IS OPEN

HFN is delighted to invite you to our highly anticipated **2025 Annual Conference**, set to hold in on the **27th and 28th of February, 2025** in Lagos State, Nigeria.

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## ADVOCACY/ PUBLIC-PRIVATE ENGAGEMENT



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Healthcare Federation of Nigeria (HFN) is actively involved in advocacy work through different fora, for better policies for members operating in the Health Sector. Example is progress with Ministries of Finance and Health regarding the HS Code issues faced by medical equipment and consumables importers .

### READ MORE



Members of HFN participate in high level meetings which bring together government officials and other key stakeholders to discuss pertinent policy issues affecting the Health sector. Previous Breakfast Meeting includes meeting with the Governor of Lagos state, Minister of Health etc. Details of these breakfast meetings are made available to Members.

## NETWORKING/HIGH PROFILE BREAKFAST MEETINGS

## ACCESS TO FINANCE, CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LINKAGES



### READ MORE

Bank of Industry- HFN access to finance program is an ongoing finance package open and accessible to HFN Members. The finance program includes but not limited to finance for equipment purchase, infrastructure and operations.

### READ MORE



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### READ MORE

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