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REPORT OF CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP ON DOCUMENTATION RIGHTS VIOLATION ASSOCIATED WITH TB AND USE OF SCORECARDS FOR AN EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY RIGHTS AND GENDER-BASED TB RESPONSE.

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VENUE: LAWYERS ALERT NO21B DEMOCRACY CRESENT GADUWA ESTATE GUDU DISTRICT ABUJA



OBJECTIVE OF THE TRAINING:

- 1. To Strengthen Coalitions and movements to carry out advocacy, monitor and evaluate Community, Rights and Gender (CRG) interventions in Lagos and Abuja.
- 2. Equip Coalition members in Abuja on Collating & feeding data on TB violations into the online tool (LADOC T) towards evidence -based TB Advocacy.

WELCOME ADDRESS:

Mr. Rommy Mom the president of Lawyers Alert gave the welcome addresses while giving his address he thanked all participants for attendance he stated that the training has provided the platform for both state and non-state actors to come together and deliberate on the national action plan towards strategic engagement and advocacy. He said the coming together of community members will help to look at the national action plan holistically. Mr. Rommy said the training will focus on these deliverables; advocacy plan using score cards, develop advocacy strategy to use as a community to use towards implementing the national action plan. Finally, he stated that the three-day meeting will achieve these goals if it stayed focus.

GOODWILL MASSAGE FORM NTBLCP

Mrs Olajumoke delivering the goodwill massage on behalf of the National coordinator NTBLCP, thanked Lawyers Alert for the intervention in the TB space by building capacity of stakeholders in regards to TB in Nigeria, especially this training which will help train participants on the use of LADOCT a web-based tool developed by Lawyers Alert to collect information on TB. She said the NTBLCP vision is to rid Nigeria of TB, TB prevention for all Nigerians, in regardless of affiliation, she said this require a lot of resources, as when it comes to TB there is inadequate funding to provide enabling environment policy guideline the issue of stigmatization is also serious as PATB are being discriminated against in Nigeria.



Pix 2. Mrs Olajomoke Abiri ACSM of NTLCP giving the Goodwill Message on behalf of the National Cordinator

In addition, issues of human rights have been a thing of great concern, she further thanked Lawyers Alert for the timely intervention and said she looks forward to a fruitful deliberation

OVERVIEW OF NATIONAL TB HUMAN RIGHT AND GENDER ACTION PLAN 2021/2025 BY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NTBLCP MRS OLAJUMOKE ABIRI

The low case notification concerns, the programme has embarked on several strategies and intervention including care for key populations and evidence from

several assessment around the globe and in country has shown that TB prevention and control cannot be achieved without addressing CRG issues established in pillar 2 of the World Health Organization (WHO) End TB strategy. She said there was no document in country to provide guidance for TB stakeholders on addressing Human rights and Gender barriers.

Key barriers to TB services

According to her, some of the key barriers identified to TB services are divided into gender/ human rights barriers

Gender

- Poverty
- Ignorance
- Health literacy
- Stigma
- Scio cultural factors
- Health service providers

Human Rights

- Poor access to policy on patient rights
- Lack legal support system
- Lack of laws
- Criminalizing drug users, MSM, Sex workers
- Low awareness on rights of patients
- Poor assess to TB services
- Little or no involvement of KPs in programme planning, implementation

CRG-NEW STRATEGIC DIRECTION

There has been a paradigm shift in addressing TB through the Global Plan to End TB. The STOP TB partnership's Global Plan acknowledges that TB programming will not be successful unless global and national programmes are grounded in CRG.

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CRG approach to TB

People affected by TB are included in TB response planning implementation, M &E in meaningful ways. This is the community aspect of CRG, Human and

Health rights are prioritized in the entire TB response (and in TB prevention). This is the Rights aspect of CRG.

In addition, the TB response recognizes that gender is one of the factors that shapes vulnerability to TB infection and likelihood of care access and treatment completion. This is the gender aspect of CRG

TB CRG

- Health Rights, under this there are concerns;
 - ✓ Available it is there to be used
 - ✓ Accessible- people can get to it if needed
 - ✓ Acceptable meets the need of the people using it
 - \checkmark Quality- the service provided is good as it can be
- RIGHTS TO BASIC CONDTIONS FOR HEALTHY LIFE, underlying determination of health
 - \checkmark Right to nutrition
 - ✓ Education
 - \checkmark Safe working conditions
 - ✓ Decent housing. This is very important because TB is a social disease

• TB BURDEN

Nigeria accounts for 4.6% of Global TB estimates, it is ranked 6th in Global ranking with a mortality rate of 112000 annually (53/100,000 population

• GOAL OF CRG ACTION PLAN

The overall goal is to contribute to improved access to standardized YB preventive, diagnostic treatment, care and support for all by 2025.

OBJECTIVES

- ✓ Ensure the existence and implementation of laws, policies, guideline and system which facilitate an enabling environment by 2025
- ✓ Promote and provide accessible, acceptable and quality TB service by 2025
- ✓ Promote Gender specific interventions that will eliminate barriers to standardized TB preventive, diagnostic and treatment for all
- ✓ Implement gender transformative intervention promote equity in the national TB response in Nigeria by 2025
- ✓ Reduce stigma and discrimination towards TB patients

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CRG

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STRATEGIC COMMUNITY INTERVENTION

- ✓ All NTBLCP programmes are gender sensitive
- $\checkmark~$ There is active case searching in the communities with volunteers
- ✓ Engagement with the various media outlet
- \checkmark Engagement with FBO, state school's sensitization and training of teachers
- ✓ Uwargida and Majalisa congregation in Kano and Katsina
- ✓ National testing week in 1^{st} week of August
- \checkmark National childhood testing week in commemoration of the Children Day
- ✓ Outreaches in all LGA during the World TB Day
- ✓ Contact tracing of patients
- ✓ One impact App installation in the community etc

SCORE CARDS

HUMAN RIGHTS & GENDER ACTION PLAN FOR TB CARE AND PREVENTION IN NIGERIA 2021-2025

This segment was led by **Peace Okeshola** a Legal/Programs Officer in the Legal department of Lawyers Alert, she participants through the use of the Score cards for TB care and prevention in Nigeria.

The Community Score CSC process is a powerful tool to monitor services, empower citizens, and improve the accountability of service providers. The scoring exercise provides. The scoring exercise provide citizens the opportunity to analyze services such as health services or education based on their personal perceptions.



Pix3 : Peace teaching participants on the use of the scorecards

Peace said the rationale behind the use of the Score-cards will;

- ✓ Identify how services are experienced by users and service providers
- ✓ Establish a feedback mechanism between users and providers to find service delivery gaps and challenges
- ✓ Ensure informed decision making and dialogue between service providers and users
- ✓ Track if services and programs are progressing well and compare the performance of service across the facilities
- ✓ Report on the quality of service at a higher level to a district executive committee or assembly

The Action Plan overall goal is to contribute to improved access to standardized TB preventive, diagnostic treatment, care and support for all by 2025



Fig 8: legal officer of Lawyers Alert given an over-view of National Human Right & Gender Action plan to TB 2021-2025..

The objectives of the Action Plan are as follows

- **Objective 1**: ensure the existence and implantation of laws, policies, guidelines, and systems which facilitate an enabling environment by 2025
- **Objective 2**: strengthen the legal system and rights-based approach to support TB management in relation to Gender and Human Rights issues in Nigeria

- **Objective 3**: Reduce stigma and discrimination towards people effected by TB and enhance their participation in the TB response
- **Objective 4**: Increase access to quality TB service among TB key and vulnerable populations by 2025sssss

The Action Plan implementation scoring and evaluation was than given, followed by scoring categories

In addition, the Action Plan overall objectives was than given

LADOC-T

LAWYERS ALERT DOCUMENTATION TOOL

Isese Lawyers Alert M&E Officer took this session She stated in her presentation what LADOCT is; It is a web-based monitoring and documentation tool for capturing data on SRHR violations in Nigeria developed by Lawyers Alert. The tool has been expanded to include TB violations and petty offences violations. This tool can be found the organization's website.

It purposes she said amongst others is to address the lack of verifiable scientific data on SRHR, TB, and Petty Offences and produce data that can be used for evidence-based advocacy.



Pix 4: Isese LA M& E officer Explaining LADOC-T to participants

Violations are gotten through;

- **SRHR**-Lawyers who provide free legal services, the police, legal aid council, CSOs, vulnerable groups, SRHR movements etc
- **TB** Inputs from CSOs and TB community lawyers
- **Petty Offences** Lawyers and CSOs

Furthermore, the tool analysis the nature, frequency and extent of violations suffered by victims it also analysis trends, patterns and age category of victims. This helps to identify the category of people who suffer the highest rate of violations in the various categories. The analysis highlights the common denominators that those accounts for the trends. This is used in informed issue-based advocacy.

Closing

The meeting closed at 4:30pm