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Foreward

The 2025 Joint Annual Review (JAR) Scientific Session, convened under the banner “All Hands, One Mission: Bringing the Nigerian Health System to Light,” brought together Nigeria's health community in a shared commitment to strengthening the nation's health architecture. Guided by the session theme “Strengthening Nigeria's Health System Resilience for Sustainable and Inclusive Care,” the scientific convening provided an important platform for presenting evidence, innovations, and practical models aimed at advancing equitable and sustainable health services across all states and local government areas.

Held in Abuja on 13 November 2025 as part of the broader JAR activities from 12-14 November, the Scientific Session drew submissions from researchers, policymakers, implementing partners, and development stakeholders. Contributors shared studies and insights that shed light on resilience-building, inclusivity, preparedness, and system-wide improvement. Their work enriched national dialogue and supported the collective effort to build a more adaptive, people-centred health system.

The session served as a dynamic forum for learning and engagement. Presenters and participants exchanged experiences, explored emerging solutions, and strengthened professional networks. By fostering collaboration and enabling the translation of research into policy and practice, the Scientific Session reinforced its role as a critical component of the annual review process.

Abstracts featured in this Book of Abstracts reflect a wide range of perspectives across the six sub-themes that guided the call for submissions:

1. **Adaptive Systems and Governance:** Work exploring data-driven decision-making, leadership models, policy alignment, and strategies that helped bridge gaps between policy and practice.
2. **Workforce Resilience:** Studies focused on preventing burnout, promoting peer support, and strengthening continuous professional development and mental-health initiatives.
3. **Technological Innovations:** Contributions highlighting advances in digital platforms, telemedicine, artificial intelligence, and interoperability for improved service delivery.
4. **Sustainable Financing Mechanisms:** Research examining risk-pooling models, blended financing approaches, value-for-money frameworks, and public–private partnerships.
5. **Emergency Preparedness and Response:** Evidence on facility-level resilience, crisis-continuity planning, and multi-sector collaboration in emergency contexts.
6. **Community Engagement and Equity:** Approaches rooted in participatory processes, community-centred strategies, and initiatives that worked to build trust among underserved and marginalised populations.

Together, these contributions demonstrate the depth of inquiry and commitment of Nigeria's health-sector actors. They offer a compelling body of knowledge that will continue to inform policy, guide implementation, and inspire continued innovation.

This Book of Abstracts stands as a record of the rich discussions and valuable evidence shared during the 2025 JAR Scientific Session. It reflects the collective resolve to strengthen Nigeria's health system today while building the foundations for a more resilient and inclusive future.

ABSTRACTS

Improved Referral Systems Essential for Improved Health Outcomes - A Case Study of a Rural Secondary Care Hospital.

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This paper presents how a hospital participating in the NHIA-CEmONC program developed a community-driven referral system to enhance access to timely maternal care. It documents hospital-led strategies for strengthening referrals and community engagement in rural settings, evaluates improvements in referral uptake and maternal outcomes, and shares lessons that can guide similar initiatives across Nigeria.

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Mama360 Circles: A Community-Driven Model for Building Resilient and Equitable Health Systems in Northern Nigeria

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This presentation shares findings from the Mama360 Circles initiative, a women-led community model implemented in five Kano communities to improve maternal and child health. Using surveys, focus groups, and community scorecards, the project recorded a 32% rise in maternal clinic attendance and 21% increase in child immunization, driven by trust-building, peer support, and stronger accountability between households and health facilities.

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Strengthening Health System Resilience through Integration of Faith-Based Health Services: Policy Pathway to Equity and Universal Health Coverage in Nigeria

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A scoping review was conducted, synthesizing national health policy documents and peer-reviewed literature. Key informant interviews were conducted with officials from federal and state ministries of health, faith-based health leaders, and community representatives. The data were analyzed thematically to uncover potential integration mechanisms, governance structures, and community engagement practices, with a focus on implications for resilience, equity, and sustainability towards UHC.

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Ethnographic Surveillance for Strengthening Community Engagement in Lassa Fever Control: Insights from Owo, Nigeria

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This study highlights how ethnographic surveillance—through listening to community narratives and observing daily practices—provides deeper insights into local beliefs, stigma, and behaviors influencing Lassa fever control in Owo, Nigeria. By integrating these social perspectives with biomedical surveillance, the study demonstrates how community engagement and culturally informed communication can strengthen outbreak preparedness, trust, and response effectiveness.

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Awareness and Attitudes of Pharmacy Students Towards Neglected Tropical Diseases: Implications for Strengthening Nigeria's Health System Resilience

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The study assessed pharmacy students' awareness and attitudes toward Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Nigeria. Among 408 respondents, most had low awareness and limited training on NTDs, though many supported adding NTD studies to the curriculum. Over half showed poor engagement attitudes. The authors call for integrating NTD education to strengthen workforce readiness and enhance Nigeria's health system resilience toward universal health coverage.

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Emotional Intelligence and Perceived Stress Among Undergraduate Pharmacy Students: Implications for Strengthening Health System Resilience"

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The study examined emotional intelligence (EI) and stress among 740 Nigerian pharmacy students. Most had high EI but also high stress, with females scoring higher in EI and 200-level students showing the most stress. Findings suggest integrating EI and stress management training into pharmacy curricula to build a resilient, emotionally balanced workforce and strengthen Nigeria's health system.

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Examining the effect of urban crimes on health using the health system building blocks: a qualitative study in two urban cities in Nigeria.

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Urban crime is an escalating challenge with far-reaching consequences for health systems, especially in low and middle-income cities. This qualitative study explores its impact on the six WHO health system building blocks. Findings show crime limits access to care, reduces workforce performance, disrupts information flow, affects medicine supply, worsens financing, and weakens governance, making it a major public health priority.

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The urban crime and health project: Mixed-method research on how crimes impact access to health service and healthcare delivery and how stakeholders can help.

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Nigeria has a swelling urban population with rising crime due to economic trends and low resources. This project highlights impacts on households/residents and health services in Southeastern cities. Surveys of 306 households and interviews with 53 stakeholders revealed common crimes like armed robbery and kidnapping, linked to lower well-being, injuries, distress, and disrupted health services. Multi-stakeholder strategies can mitigate harms and improve reassurance.

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Building Sustainable Partnerships for Clinical Research in Africa: Lessons from The Federal Medical Centre Owo Lassa Fever Experience.

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This study was conducted to explore the experiences of stakeholders involved in various partnerships and clinical research at the Federal Medical Centre Owo, with a view to identifying lessons for Nigeria and Africa health systems

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Nano-Enabled Smart Drug Delivery Systems in One Health: Innovations in Targeted Therapy and Theranostics for the Management of Vector-Borne and Zoonotic Diseases in Nigeria Healthcare-system

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Vector-borne and zoonotic diseases (VBZDs) remain a critical global health challenge, disproportionately affecting low- and middle-income countries most specifically Nigeria while driving significant morbidity, mortality, and economic loss.

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Strengthening HPV Vaccine Uptake through Integration with HIV Programs for Children and Adolescents Living with HIV (CALHIV)

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The abstract demonstrates the feasibility of delivering HPV vaccination through HIV program touch points, effectively addressing both access and acceptance challenges among children and adolescents living with HIV (CALHIV)

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AI-Driven Mobile Health Framework for Early Detection of High-Risk Pregnancy and Maternal Death Prevention in the FCT, Nigeria

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This study proposes an AI-driven mobile health framework for early detection and management of high-risk pregnancies in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Nigeria. The study will integrate predictive AI models with a user-friendly mobile application to improve early risk identification, referrals, and antenatal attendance.

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Building a Resilient Health Sector: Evaluating the Impact of Targeted Capacity Building in Vaccine Economics on Systems Governance and Workforce Proficiency in Nigeria

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This study assessed the impact of a targeted capacity-building programme in vaccine economics in Nigeria. A four-day workshop significantly improved participants' technical skills in economic evaluation and modelling, demonstrating that structured, practice-based training enhances workforce proficiency, promotes evidence-informed policymaking, and strengthens health system resilience.

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Enhancing Quality of Care in Primary Healthcare Facilities Through Facility-Led Quality Improvement Initiatives in Northwest Nigeria

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SANHDEF empowered 45 health workers in Northwest Nigeria to lead Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) in their primary healthcare facilities. The initiative established functional Quality Improvement Teams, leading to a structured, data-driven approach that significantly improved service delivery and offers a sustainable model for enhancing care in resource-limited settings.

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Turning the Tide on Absenteeism: Exploring Motivators and Strategies Among Nigeria's Health Workforce

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Absenteeism remains a silent crisis in Nigeria's primary healthcare system. This study uncovers the human stories behind missed workdays—showing how motivation, supportive supervision, and community accountability can turn duty into resilience. It offers practical insights for building a committed and dependable PHC workforce in low-resource settings.

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Occupational Pesticide Exposure and Community Health Equity: Laboratory Evidence for System Strengthening in Nigeria

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This study examined pesticide exposure among farmers in Kwara State, Nigeria, using biochemical tests to assess liver and kidney function. Results showed elevated ALT, AST, and urea levels, indicating early organ stress from chronic exposure. The findings highlight pesticide toxicity as a hidden equity issue and recommend integrating community-based laboratory monitoring into local health systems to improve prevention and strengthen rural health resilience.

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First-hand Laboratory Evidence of Rising Antimicrobial Resistance: Implications for Nigeria's Emergency Preparedness and Response

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Rising antimicrobial resistance (AMR) in Nigeria's private diagnostic laboratories poses a significant threat to healthcare delivery hence the need to access preparedness level for emergency response. A study of 482 bacterial isolates from three private labs in Lagos revealed high resistance rates to common antibiotics. The findings identify gaps in Nigeria's emergency response systems and recommends measures to enhance Nigeria's preparedness and response to AMR

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Digital Transformation of Nigeria's Health System to Improve Outcomes and Advance Sustainability

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Systematic review of Nigeria's digital health explores impacts on outcomes and sustainability, identifies barriers, recommends governance, infrastructure, and workforce enablers.

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Health Facility Upgrade: Lessons Learned through Revitalization of Primary Healthcare Facilities in Nigeria Supported by the IMPACT Project

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The IMPACT Project is revitalizing PHC facilities across 28 states to meet BEmONC Level 2 standards through digital monitoring, standardized supervision, and strong coordination. With 838 facilities upgraded and 1,500 ongoing, the initiative highlights the importance of technical capacity and sustainable maintenance for achieving NHSRII goals and advancing Universal Health Coverage (UHC)

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Addressing Public Health Workforce Gaps through the Design and Development of a Public Health Emergency Preparedness, Response & Recovery (PHEPRR) Fellowship

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This abstract presents the design of the PHEPRR Fellowship, an evidence-informed model developed to address workforce and coordination gaps in emergency preparedness, response, and recovery across West Africa.

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Caregiver-led Model: Leveraging lived Experience to Improved Community Trust in Disability Care

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Highlights how caregivers of children with disabilities use their experience to encourage health care seeking behaviour among their peer

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Deciphering Policy Gridlock: Political Economic Forces Impacting Health Tax Policy Design and Implementation in Nigeria

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This study explored the design and implementation of health tax policies on tobacco, alcohol, and sugar-sweetened beverages (SSBs) in Nigeria. Using qualitative methods, including literature review, stakeholder interviews, and policy dialogue, the research analyzed political and institutional factors shaping policy outcomes.

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Enhancing Retention and Reducing Burnout: Peer-Led Biomedical Engineering Mentorship for Oxygen System Sustainability

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This abstract highlights how peer-led mentoring and structured training strengthened biomedical engineers' capacity in Akwa Ibom, Nigeria, improving oxygen system maintenance, reducing professional isolation, and fostering local ownership. The initiative enhanced equipment uptime, restored oxygen production, and demonstrated a sustainable, scalable model to support workforce resilience and patient care in low-resource settings.

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Applying Participatory and Adaptive Community Engagement Models to Reach Zero-Dose Children in Kano State, Nigeria

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This study demonstrates how a community-led, bottom-up approach effectively addressed socio-cultural barriers to immunization. By empowering caregivers, leaders, and health workers to co-design solutions and embedding a Learning-by-Doing framework for continuous adaptation, the intervention improved vaccine confidence, trust, and gender-inclusive participation. The approach offers a scalable model for equity-focused immunization system strengthening.

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Incentivizing measles vaccinations with SQ-LNS supplementation in children aged 6 to 23 months: the NutriVax pragmatic parallel cluster-randomized controlled trial in Yobe state, Northeast Nigeria

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The objective of NutriVax, a cluster randomized control trial in Yobe State, was to test whether integrating preventive Small-Quantity Lipid-Based Nutrient Supplements (SQ-LNS) distributions for children 6-23 m with routine National Program of immunizations (NPI) incentivizes vaccine uptake. Preliminary analysis found a dramatic increase in vaccination coverage and reduction in zero-dose children in the NutriVax arm. Associating SQ-LNS with routine NPI served as a powerful vaccine incentive.

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ASSOCIATION BETWEEN CYCLE THRESHOLD (Ct) AND MORTALITY IN LASSA FEVER PATIENTS IN FEDERAL MEDICAL CENTRE, OWO, ONDO STATE, NIGERIA.

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A retrospective cohort study conducted using data from 150 confirmed Lassa fever cases admitted to the FMCO Lassa fever treatment center. Ct values obtained at admission were stratified into low, medium, and high viral load categories. An inverse relationship was observed between Ct and mortality. Patients with low Ct values (<25; high viral load) had significantly higher mortality compared to those with higher Ct values (>30).

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Reconstitution Practices and Antimicrobial Resistance: An Unaddressed Issue in Oral Suspensions in Nigeria

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This study investigates how caregivers in Nigeria reconstitute oral suspensions, finding significant errors that could contribute to antimicrobial resistance. The study highlights the need for education, stricter standards, and public health interventions to address this issue.

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Assessment of the Role of Local Government Health Authority on Health Insurance Enrolment towards achieving Universal Health Coverage in Kaduna State Nigeria

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This Study examines the roles of Local Government Health Authority in the implementation of Health insurance schemes in Kaduna State. The LGHA plays a crucial role in overcoming barriers and enhancing effective implementation by providing a local context and empowering communities within the framework of primary health care and universal health coverage.

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Beyond Coverage: Assessing the Financial Protection Effects of Health Insurance for Surgical Patients in Nigeria

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This study examined financial protection from health insurance among 135 surgical patients in Abuja, Nigeria. Insured patients spent one-third less out-of-pocket than uninsured counterparts, but significant gaps remain, especially under private schemes. As Nigeria implements mandatory coverage, findings reveal critical opportunities to strengthen benefit depth and standardize protection, offering actionable insights for policymakers and partners advancing equitable universal health coverage.

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Enhancing Health Workforce Density: Lessons from Sub-national Level Workforce Retention and Optimization Models

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To address the challenge of the health workforce density gap, which is attributable to low recruitment and compounded by high attrition, some Nigerian states have successfully implemented strategies to improve health workforce density. The study explored the HRH situation at the sub-national level, identified promising health workforce retention and optimization policies/strategies, and provided evidence-based recommendations for scaling up the strategies across all the states.

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Effects of Decentralized Facility Financing on Skilled Birth Attendance in Bauchi State: A one-year retrospective review

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- A skilled birth attendance (SBA) is qualified medical personnel usually a Doctor, Nurse or Midwife that conduct delivery. It is an important health sector indicator that measures the system's ability to provide quality services to mothers. To address the challenges of SBA in Bauchi State, IMPACT project has engage SBAs. We reviewed the number of deliveries conducted by skilled birth attendants and compare IMPACT supported PHCs with state average within the reporting period.

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Optimizing Health Financing for Improved Primary Health Care Outcomes in Gombe State

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This study describes the link between health financing patterns and health outcomes. Participants will learn the effectiveness of donor support in stimulating improved government funding for health, particularly primary health care service delivery. They will also learn evidence-based strategies for improving healthcare financing and ensuring sustainable health outcomes at the state and LGA levels.

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Transforming Operational Planning in Kaduna: Evidence-Based, Bottom-Up Model for Impact

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Kaduna State transformed malaria operational planning through a bottom-up, data-driven approach engaging LGAs and the state. All 23 LGAs developed plans integrated into the State MOP, enabling targeted, evidence-based interventions and improved alignment with national priorities. The model institutionalized data use, accountability, and coordination, offering a scalable framework for malaria elimination.

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Zero Dose Burden and Its Sociodemographic Determinants: Insights from Household Survey in Six States of Nigeria

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This study examined zero-dose children in six Nigerian states using data from 1,958 households. Half of the children had not received Penta 1. Immunization was more likely among children whose mothers were older, educated, had higher income, attended ANC, and lived near health facilities. Improving maternal education, economic empowerment, ANC use, and facility access is key to reducing zero-dose rates.

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Evaluating the Impact of State-Funded Maternal and Child Health Insurance Scheme on Financial Risk Reduction: A Case Study of the Abiyamo Scheme in Ondo State, Nigeria

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This study assesses the effectiveness of the Abiyamo Maternal and Child Health Insurance Scheme in Ondo State, Nigeria, in reducing financial risks associated with maternal and child healthcare. It evaluates the scheme's impact on healthcare access, out-of-pocket expenditure, and financial protection for vulnerable households.

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Strengthening Health Coordination Through Functional TWGs: Insights from SCIDaR's SPARK Project

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Evidence-based approach strengthening Technical Working Groups across seven Nigerian states under SPARK project. Interventions included standardized tools, quarterly priority-setting, and partner coordination across six functionality domains. Meeting conduct improved to 60%, with enhanced data-driven decision-making and partner alignment.

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Strengthening State–LGA Linkages for Integrated PHC Service Delivery: Lessons from Northern Nigeria

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Study examines strengthening State–LGA linkages in Northern Nigeria through embedded consultants, mentoring visits, and cross-thematic integration. Improved coordination, supervision, and accountability enhanced PHC service delivery across seven states, offering a replicable model for translating policy into frontline impact.

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This study investigates the prevalence and coexistence of hypertension and obesity among civil servants enrolled in the Ondo State health insurance scheme (ORANGHIS). It aims to highlight the magnitude of these interrelated health risks and inform workplace wellness and preventive health strategies.

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