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r. Austin Demby, Minister of Health and Sanitation, on Thursday, 8 September 2022, extensively spoke in an exclusive interview with AYV Television on key tangible achievements attained by the Ministry as well as his vision in transforming healthcare delivery towards Universal Health Coverage.

The Minister touched on a strengthened health security system wherein it is better placed to plan, prevent and respond to disease outbreaks. He also pointed out a more substantial workforce as evident in the recruitment of a thousand healthcare workers. Investment in graduate and post graduate trainings, major construction and rehabilitation projects of government facili-

ties and over \$3 Million worth of medical equipment and assorted drugs supply to hospitals in all districts were highlighted.

Furthermore, Minister Demby thoroughly spoke on the new trajectory or vision of the Ministry which focuses on using the Life Stages Approach in transforming healthcare delivery towards Universal Health Coverage. This approach employs measurable and innovative markers in drastically reducing maternal mortality from 717 to 300/100,000 live births in three years.

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inister of Health & Sanitation, Dr. Austin Demby took part in the swearing-in ceremony of the 10th batch of Peace Corps Volunteers in Kambia on Friday, 9 September 2022.

In his address, the minister expressed his gratitude to the team for their dedication in also supporting healthcare provision in local communities by contributing their skills and complementing the existing local health workforce.

eputy Minister of Health and Sanitation, Princess Dugba, together with senior management officials from the Ministry has on 8-9 September 2022 handed over medical equipment and assorted drugs worth \$2 Million to Kono and Kabala Government Hospitals.

Handing over these drugs and equipment, the Deputy Minister of Health and Sanitation encouraged the management of both hospitals to urgently assemble the equipment in wards and to use it for the provision quality services to the people.

The distribution included Oxygen Concentrators, Resuscitators, Bed Screens, Standard Hospital Beds with mattresses, Bedside Cabinets, Motorola Digital Radi-

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os, Stretchers, Infusion Stands, Anaesthetic Drugs and other assorted drugs. In attendance were the Deputy Chief Medical Officer Clinical, the Director of Hospitals Inspection, the Project Manager of HSS, the Managing Director of NMSA and the Communications Unit of the MoHS.

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EPI presents CDS Third Funding Window at the ICC Meeting



uring an Interagency Coordinating Committee (ICC) Meeting on Thursday 9 September 2022, the Extended Programme on Immunization (EPI) presented on COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery Service (CDS) third funding window.

The vaccine delivery service focussed on supporting acceleration of vaccination of high and highest-risk populations (as defined by SAGE7).

It also supports rapid delivery scale-up to reach country targets for adult vaccination. Finally goes further to encourage integration of COVID-19 vaccination and routine immunization to achieve sustainable benefits.

The presentation also extended to the introduction of the Human Papilloma Virus vaccine (for the elimination of Cervical Cancer) and Malaria Vaccine Application. The meeting was haired by the Director of Reproductive and Child Health while the Chief Medical Officer made the keynote address on behalf of the Minister. UNICEF, WHO, Focus 1000 and Global Fund were among the many partners that attended the meeting.

Sunday, 11 September 2022 left Free healthcare Services, again. Freetown to deliver quality and free medical services to the people of Kenema and Kambia Districts.

The Hospital on Wheels will be conducting mobile outreach services inclusive of maternal and child health services, general internal medicine including NCDs (hypertension, diabetes and mental health), COVID-19 vaccination, eye care services and provision of required tests using hematology and biochemistry machines.

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The maiden deployment of the Hospitals on Wheels project on the 1 August 2022 saw accessible and quality healthcare with no cost implication to patients administered to nearly 5,000 people in four districts (Port Loko, Bo, Western Area Rural & Urban).