

MoHS Weekly Activity Bulletin

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The MoHS Weekly Activity Bulletin summarises key activities, including meetings, of the preceding week carried out by the Offices of the Minister and Chief Medical Officer, Directorates, Programmes, and Agencies of the Ministry.

Office of the Chief Medical Officer



Deputy Chief Medical Officer Public Health, Dr. Alie Wurie on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, through CARE SL support, launched the Epidemic Control and Reinforcement of Health Services (ECRHS) Phase 3 project at Country Lodge Hotel, Freetown.

The €9.5m project, with support from the German Government, will seek to improve the health status of the population of Sierra Leone with a focus on reproductive health and epidemic control. The project will target Koinadugu, Bombali, Karene, Falaba, Port Loko, Tonkolili, Kambia, and Bo districts.

Directorate of Hospital Inspection

The Directorate of Hospital Inspection, in conducting a baseline assessment of government hospitals across the country, visited Kailahun, Segbwema, Panguma, and Kenema Government Hospitals.

The team, headed by the Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Clinical Services, Dr. Mustapha Kabba, and the Director of Hospital Inspection, Ibrahim Foday-Musa, aims at understanding the peculiar challenges of the different facilities and proffer tangible recommendations to address these challenges.



Sierra Leone Council for Postgraduate College of Health Specialties



The Sierra Leone Council for Postgraduate College of Health Specialties on Thursday, 9th June 2022, initiated a stakeholder meeting on Postgraduate Medical Training in Sierra Leone at New Brookfield's Hotel, Freetown.

The engagement aimed to stimulate expansive and bold deliberations on perspective, investment, challenges, and opportunities centered around reinforcing Postgraduate Medical Training in the country.

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Directorate of Environmental Health and Sanitation

The WASH Programme of the Directorate of Environmental Health and Sanitation, with support from UNICEF, held its inaugural Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting on June 10, 2022, at the Family Kingdom Resort.

The essence of the meeting was for the TWG members to support the rollout of the Sanitation and Hygiene Game Plan in Sierra Leone. The DEHS Director, Mrs. Doris Bah, emphasized the relevance of conducting the WASH Services Behaviour Survey and developing the



Sanitation Policy Implementation Guidelines (SPIG). MoHS and several other MDAs and international partners attended the meeting

Directorates of Reproductive and Child Health, and Policy, Planning, and Information



The Directorate of Policy Planning and Information (DPPI), in collaboration with the Reproductive Health and Family Planning (RH/FP) Programme, with support from CHAI, conducted training on the use of the DHIS2 email notification system and an introduction to the DHIS2 RH/FP Dashboard. The training targeted District Health Sisters (DHS) and FP Coordinators on the 1-2 and 7-8, June 2022, in Bo and Makeni respectively.

The Senior HMIS Officer, Regina Samuels, facilitated the sessions that trained the DHS and FP Coordinators on how to receive DHIS2 email

notifications with RH-FP tracer indicators and how to navigate the RH-FP DHIS2 dashboard.

Directorate of Policy, Planning, and Information

This week, a 10-day data collection for the LOT Quality Assurance Sampling (LQAS) survey ended in the Moyamba District. With support from UNICEF, DPPI led the activity that involved 70 data collectors, 10 national and 10 DHMT supervisors who conducted field monitoring.

Nationally, 5% of children under five are suffering from moderate or severe acute malnutrition. Moyamba District has the second-highest wasting prevalence at 6.4%. Stunting is at 31% in the district. Because of the present nutritional situation in the district, this survey is conducted to find ways to reduce malnutrition in under-fives.





World Bank Health Projects Implementation Support Mission – June 6 - 17, 2022

The World Bank Team is in the country on a Mission that will last for just over ten days. One of the objectives of



the World Bank Mission is to review the Quality Essential Health Services Systems and Support Project (QEHSSSP, P172102) early project activities' implementation. A high-level field visit, which included key World Bank staff, notably Magnus Lindelow (Practice Manager), Mohamed I. Diaw (Operations Analyst) and Kofi Amponsah (Task Team Lead), Ministry of Health and Sanitation and Partners-In Health staff, visited the Welbodi Clinic and Sewafe CHC in Kono District and Waterloo CHC in Western Area Rural District, to put the work ahead into perspective.