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SOSG Urged To Domesticate Nation Health Act

The need for full implementation and domestication of Nation Health Act 2014 in Sokoto State has been advocated.

Chairman Health Reform Foundation of Nigeria (HERFON), Sokoto State Chapter, Malam Bello A. Bello gave the advice at the advocacy visits to some key stake holders in the sector in Sokoto State recently.

Malam Bello A Bello said the measure would afford the less privilege and work force to have access to quality basic health care services.

According to him, the advocacy visits were in view of the Act significance in addressing health care service challenges to the common man.

While praising the Sokoto State government for establishing some agencies which were part of the provisions of the NHAct 2014.

The agencies according to him are SOCHEMA and SPHCDA.

In his comments the Program Manager from the national headquarters, Dr Opeyemi Adeosun recommended Sokoto State to rejig already established committee and inaugurate members to review the Act and make it Sokoto-specific.

Dr Adeosun also harped on

the need for the state assembly to revise the act and name it Sokoto State Health Act 2022. The Program Manager hoped the state Governor would assent the act as soon as possible.

Responding, the State Head of Service, Malam Abubakar Muhammad, assured the delegation of full support of the State government with a view to achieving the desired objectives.

Malam Abubakar

Muhammad, noted that the State government is always ready to collaborate with any organization wishing to contribute to having a healthy society.

He praised the organization for the advocacy visit. The stake holders visited are State Commissioner of health, Permanent Secretary Ministry for Budget and Economic planning, Commissioner ministry of justice, State House of Assembly

Committee on Health and the Head of Service.

Later, a review and validation meeting on the Act was held with Representatives from State ministry of health and Community Society organisations at the Epidemiological Unit hall of State Special Hospital Sokoto.

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