

## Implementing YPE4AH in Kano

The USAID-funded Youth-Powered Ecosystem to Advance Urban Adolescent Health (YPE4AH) Project aims to improve the health and well-being of unmarried, out-of-school, urban adolescents aged 15-19 in Lagos and Kano by increasing voluntary family planning uptake, while situating family planning within a broader, more holistic context.

### The Approach

The project worked to deliver its interventions through two (2) of the 44 LGAs within the state. The LGAs are home to about 80,000 adolescents aged 15-19 years. In Kano, YPE4AH commenced activities in March 2022 by adapting Lagos intervention which commenced 1-year prior. The approach was built around 3 distinct groups of adolescents (Unmarried Boys, Unmarried Girls and Married Girls) in a 40-30-30 ratio. A pivot from the project design (40-60 between Male and Female adolescents). Beneficiaries were reached mainly through community-based interventions including outreaches, door-to-door mobilization, and radio campaigns. Menstrual Hygiene, GBV and Substance Abuse were utilized as entry points for FP.

### The Challenges

- Stock-out of commodities were common and linked to state-wide under-reporting to the national system
- Difficulty in providing FP services (beyond counselling) to unmarried adolescents through the Youth Hubs.
- Kano state had no coordinating mechanism for adolescent health data across partners

The U.S. Agency for International Development-funded Youth-Powered Ecosystem to Advance Urban Adolescent Health activity empowers young people with skills, social capital, and resources needed to realize their full potential. The program improves adolescent health by increasing access to voluntary family planning services and situating family planning within a broader, more holistic context of youth empowerment, coupled with a deeper understanding of the challenges that adolescents face.

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