Nigeria UHC Advocacy Group (NUHCAG)

Country Advocacy Meeting (CAM)
for the United Nations High-Level
Meeting (HLM) on Universal Health
Coverage (UHC)

held at: UN House, Abuja

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Purpose

• To create space for civil society and stakeholders to discuss domestic priorities for UHC and how to leverage the HLM on UHC to address key challenges in ensuring that we 'leave no one behind'.

Objectives

- 1. To provide information about UHC, UNGA and HLM on UHC with an emphasis on its importance at the country level.
- 2. To present UHC2030 Key "Asks" and CSEM Priority Actions.
- 3. To discuss the key gaps and priorities to 'leave no one behind'.
- 4. To explore priority issues and actions for UHC, building on community-led evidence

Objectives contd.

- 5. To provide civil society with a national level platform to advocate for an effective UN HLM that results in ambitious national commitments to advance UHC;
- 6. To mobilize political leadership for high-level government representation and concrete commitments at the HLM, and influence the overall outcome of the UN HLM on UHC;
- 7. To improve awareness of the Health civil society on the HLM, UHC2030 and CSEM for improved UHC policy development and implementation including accountability mechanisms

Expected Outcomes

- 1. Completed country level UHC needs assessment (Questionnaire)
- 2. Official CS UHC commitment recommendations for government
- 3. GoN commits to high-level government attendance and participation in the HLM on UHC;
- 4. Participants discuss and articulate the UHC2030 'Key Asks' for Nigeria and present it to the GoN.

Expected Outcomes [2]

- 5. CS and stakeholders understand the CSEM Priority Action;
- 6. The UHC national questionnaire will be completed and submitted to the CSEM secretariat by NUHCAG
- 7. Commitment to continuous dialogue with, and support civil society national consultations on 'Achieving the UHC' in Nigeria within the next 12 months and on annual basis towards 2030

Expected Outcomes [3] - Action Agenda:

NUHCAG/CS to advocate that:

- H.E. President M. Buhari attends the HLM (and includes NUHCAG/CS representatives in country delegations during HLM)
- Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) makes realistic commitments a the HLM based on our country level needs
- NUHCAG/CS shall support, work with and hold FGN accountable to their commitments after the HLM (e.g. using Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) as a review of progress towards Nigeria's UHC commitments)



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