

REPORT OF THE 3-DAY WORKSHOP FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE HEALTHCARE WORKERS' TRAINING MANUAL AND CURRICULUM FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS TRAINING INSTITUTIONS, HELD AT GRAND SERENE HOTEL, IYAGANKU G.R.A ON FEBRUARY 13TH TO 15TH, 2024

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The 3-day workshop for developing the healthcare workers' training manual and curriculum for healthcare workers training institutions on the provision of sexual and reproductive healthcare services for women with disabilities was a remarkable success. Twenty-five participants attended from various entities such as the Oyo State Ministry of Health, Oyo State Ministry of Education, Oyo State Hospitals Management Board, Oyo State College of Nursing and Midwifery, Oyo State College of Health Science and Technology, Oyo State Primary Health Care Board, Department of Nursing, University of Ibadan as well as Members of Joint National Association of Persons with Disabilities (JONAPWD), Oyo State Agency for Persons with Disabilities (OYSADP) and the EMBASSY Project Working Group.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE ACTIVITY:

On the first day of the workshop, Mr. Obatunde Oladapo, the Executive Director of PLAN Foundation, warmly welcomed everyone and introduced the manual that would be discussed. He stressed how crucial the workshop was and how the revised manual could greatly improve sexual and reproductive health knowledge for all women, especially those with disabilities, by removing obstacles to accessing services. He mentioned the importance of the manual to the healthcare workers who are the provider of SRH services, he stresses the fact that the training manual would equip the healthcare workers to understand the sexual and reproductive needs of persons with disabilities and enable healthcare workers to provide quality sexual and reproductive services for them and the curriculum that would be developed would be included in the education of future healthcare professionals.

The participants were divided into four groups, each led by experienced facilitators. These facilitators, Dr. Titilayo Odetola, Dr. Patricia Ogunmola, Mr. Siji Ganiyu, and Mrs. Babarimisa, guided their respective groups through a thorough review of the manual over three days, focusing on different chapters. By the end of the workshop, the manual had undergone a comprehensive review with inputs from participants.

CHALLENGES AND LIMITATIONS:

Nil