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blood donation and blood transfusion in Kano project

Highlights:

- ❖ Quarterly Review Meeting Conducted.
- ❖ Weekly Data Review Meeting for Weeks 5,6,7 & 8 conducted.
- ❖ Sophie Reichelt Visits Kano.
- ❖ Enrolment of 3 more Facilities (MMSH, SSSH & SMJGH).



Quartely Review Meeting with Research Assistants (RAs)



- A Maiden Quartely Review Meeting with the RAs to share the success and the performance so far and also to discuss challenges encountered by each RA in the course of work and the possible recommendations to mitigate it.



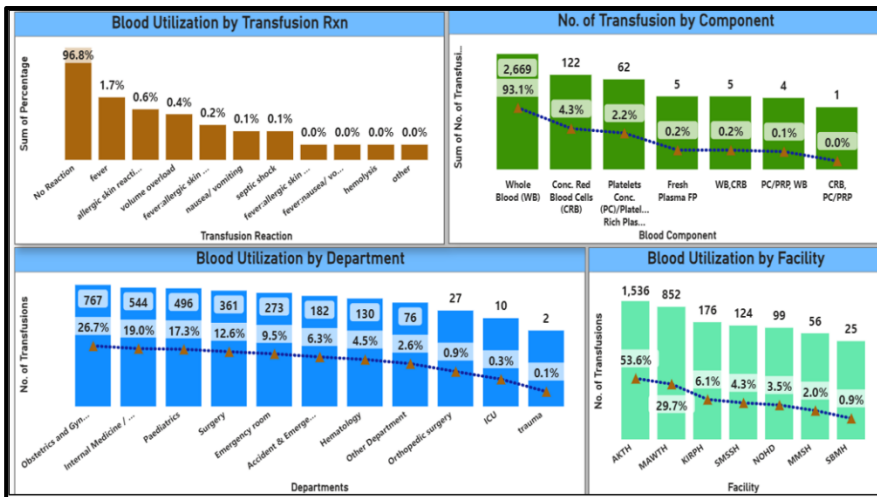
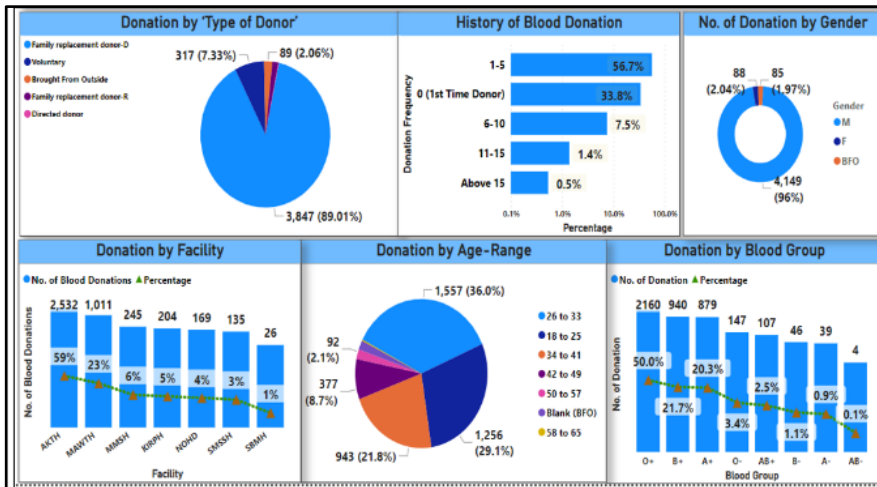
A cross section of pictures of the participants during the conduct of the maiden Quarterly Review Meeting for the Research Assistants (RAs) 18th November 2023

- A Maiden Quartely Review Meeting with the project Stakeholders was organized on the 18th of November, 2023 to acquaint the Heads of Laboratory and Nursing Departments of the 10 Study Facilities (AKTH, MAWTH, NOHD, MMSH, SMSSH, SMJGH, SBMH, KIRPH, NBMH and WSGGH) with the History of the Project, project goals, what the project has achieved so far, findings and challenges as well as to appreciate them on the overall co-operation given to the Study Staff.



A cross section of pictures of the participants during the conduct of the maiden Quarterly Review Meeting for the Stakeholders of the participating Hospitals_18th November 2023


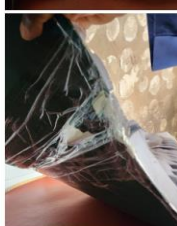
- Data Review Meeting with the Study Supervisors, Principal Investigators and Advisors to review the project data, challenges and ponder on the recommendations. The Review meetings for the month of November was conducted on 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th November 2023.



- Sophie Reichelt; the Jini Na Project Grant Management Officer visits Kano between 13th – 19th of November 2023.
- Find below some of the activities she successfully achieved during her visit:
 - Brief audit visits to the participating Hospitals (accompanied by all the Supervisors).
 - Checked with the project admin officer to complete the pending financial reports.
 - Checked and confirm the submission of CITI certificates by all study Staff.
 - Confirmed outstanding procurement of equipment for the study.
 - Reviewed the project data with the Supervisors
 - Supported the planning and successful implementation of the Quartely Review Meetings with both RAs and the Stakeholders.
 - She pointed out some findings during her round to the participating Hospitals (As outlined below under a heading “Findings from the Field”)



Findings from the Facilities
<p>1. The Facility Staff need to be trained to fill the following sections in the registers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ “Remark” – fit / unfit ❖ “test” - reactive / NR ❖ “type of bag” – mark which type of bag has been used ❖ Note O+ instead of O positive ❖ Ensure the blood group of the donor is included – raise with Technical Heads ❖ Train staff for how long a punctured bag can be kept because of danger of contamination. ❖ Ensure date of collection is captured (its key when cross-matching, etc.) ❖ No space to write patient name (Therefore it was suggested that the name should feature on the “extended RH column”)

Findings from the Facilities	
<p>2. Suggested Adjustment on the registers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ “extended RH” column should be changed to “remarks” ❖ ELISA column section not used (Its usage need to be re-emphasized or we remove it) ❖ Registers are falling apart when moved a lot (after less than a month in use). <p>3. Re-orient RAs on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Train RAs on App: when to use “aliquot” instead of “transfused” ❖ To discuss an appropriate formality of RAs Shifts handover (Is there need to be marked on Register?) ❖ Provide vaccine (HepB, Td, etc), masks, Power banks and Gloves 	 

- Being one of the high-volume Hospitals in Kano State, Murtala Muhammad Specialist Hospital (MMSH) was enrolled on the 7th November 2023 with a special engagement and orientation of the Nursing and Laboratory Staff of the facility to introduce and acquaint them with the Jini Na project goals and objective (which is the first of its kind)
- The Entry orientation was moderated by *Dr. Dalhat Gwarzo; Principal Investigator* of the Project which was well attended by the **Chief Medical Officer; Dr. Mustapha Sa'id, Head of Pathology Department; Dr. Sunusi Yahaya, Head of Hematology Unit; Dr. Awwal Borodo**, among others.



- Three (3) Hospitals were also enrolled, becoming Nine (9) out of Ten (10) participating facilities.
- **Sir Muhammad Sunusi Specialist Hospital (SMSSH)** was kickstarted on the 1st of November 2023.
- **Sheikh Muhammad Jidda Specialist Hospital (SMJSH)** was kickstarted on the 20th of November 2023.
- **Waziri Shehu Gidado General Hospital (WSGGH)** was kickstarted on the 20th of November 2023.



Enrollment of **SMSSH** and the Introduction of Manual Registers to the Staff of the Facility_1st November 2023



Enrollment of **WSGGH** and the Introduction of Manual Registers to the Staff of the Facility_20th November 2023



Enrollment of **SMJSH** and the Introduction of Manual Registers to the Staff of the Facility_20th November 2023