



# Jini Na Project

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## Participating Hospitals:

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blood donation and blood transfusion in Kano project

## Highlights:

- ❖ Weekly Data Review Meeting for Weeks 40, 41, 42 & 43 conducted.
- ❖ Focus Group Discussion (FGD) Started
- ❖ Reflections on the Project Success and Challenges at the participating hospitals.
- ❖ Announcement



1. Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital
2. Murtala Muhammed Specialist Hospital
3. Muhammed Abdullahi Wase Teaching Hospital
4. National Orthopedic Hospital, Dala
5. Waziri Shehu Gidado General Hospital
6. Sir Muhammadu Sanusi General Hospital
7. Sheikh Muhammed Jidda General Hospital
8. Sabo Bakin Zuwo Maternity Hospital
9. Nuhu Bamalli Maternity Hospital
10. Khalifa Isyaku Rabiu Paediatrics Hospital

- 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 July 2024 were conducted on 5<sup>th</sup> (Week 40), 12<sup>th</sup> (Week 41), 19<sup>th</sup> (Week 42) and 26<sup>th</sup> (Week 43).

Comparison of Donations by Facility						
SN	Facility	Week 40 5th July'24	Week 41 8th July'24	Week 42 19th July'24	Week 43 26th July'24	Total
1	AKTH	431	309	370	362	13,868
2	SBMH	8	5	-	11	278
3	KIRPH	42	18	22	40	1,146
4	MAWTH	172	154	133	190	6,428
5	NOHD	110	86	92	86	3,429
6	SMSSH	76	65	35	47	2,257
7	MMSH	214	240	282	252	9,674
8	SMJGH	33	50	44	44	1,635
9	WSGGH	48	131	102	51	2,191
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,134</b>	<b>1,058</b>	<b>1,080</b>	<b>1,083</b>	<b>40,906</b>

Comparison of Transfusion by Facility						
SN	Facility	Week 40 5th July'24	Week 41 8th July'24	Week 42 19th July'24	Week 43 26th July'24	Total
1	AKTH	305	234	218	311	9,461
2	SBMH	8	5	-	8	260
3	KIRPH	41	17	12	37	985
4	MAWTH	110	150	77	135	5,136
5	NOHD	74	49	53	61	2,518
6	SMSSH	45	59	27	46	1,755
7	MMSH	171	186	186	181	6,231
8	SMJGH	19	71	-	65	1,555
9	WSGGH	11	200	54	55	2,085
<b>Total</b>		<b>784</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>29,986</b>

- With the support of the RAs, Heads of Laboratories, Heads of Nursing, and all relevant stakeholders, the following data were successfully documented as of 26th July, 2024. Thank you all for your efforts in registering these data:

Total No. of Blood Donation	40,906
Total No. of Blood Transfusions	29,986
Total No. of Blood Bags Wasted	1,170
Total No. of Blood Bags that were Transferred between Hospitals to Overcome blood shortage in these hospitals	1,015



- The Jini Na project is conducting a study to understand the behaviours of Kano community towards voluntary blood donation. Voluntary blood donors are those who donate *fisabilillah* (for the sake of God Almighty) for people that they do not know and may not have a family to donate for them. And therefore want to understand their views on how best we can have more donors to commit to voluntary blood donors rather than family relation donors. Also, only a small number of women donate blood in Kano but in other places, more women donate, we want to know how best we can increase the number of women who commit to voluntary donation from our discussion with various donors across the State.
- The Jini Na Project FGD has been kickstarted from Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital (AKTH) of which 4 eligible blood donors participated (pictures below)



## Reflections on the Project Success and Challenges at the participating Hospitals



- To appreciate the efforts and support to the Jini Na Project of all participating Hospitals, refreshments were distributed to the staff involved and challenges and lessons learned exchanged



- In the same vein, the hard copies of the June 2024 Newsletter were distributed across the Facilities to increase visibility and awareness of the Jini Na project successes by the Supervisors which was coordinated by the admin of the project.

**LAUNCHING**  
OF JINI NA PROJECT  
at BUK/ARKH, KANO  
Date: 18th August 2023  
Time: 2:00pm  
Venue: Conference Room, Private Office, BUK/ARKH Teaching Hospital

### Jini Na Project

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**Highlights:**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quartely Review Meeting Conducted
  - For the Research Assistants (RAs)
  - For the Stakeholders
- International Partner Visits Kano.
- Advocacy Visit to the Honourable Commissioner of Health, Kano State.

**Participating:**

1. Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital 2. Martha Muhammed Specialist Hospital 3. Muhammed Abubakar Wano Teaching Hospital 4. National Orthopedic Hospital, Dala  
5. Waziri Shehu Ousado General Hospital 6. Sir Muhammadu Sami General Hospital 7. Shekh Muhammed Jada General Hospital 8. Sabo Bakin Zawa Maternity Hospital  
9. Nuhu Usmani Maternity Hospital 10. Khalifa Iyisaku Fahu Paediatrics Hospital



- This is to announce the upcoming 48<sup>th</sup> annual conference and Scientific Meeting of the NSHBT in August 2024 for which the JINI NA PROJECT has prepared a few abstracts:

**NSHBT**  
**NIGERIAN SOCIETY FOR HAEMATOLOGY AND BLOOD TRANSFUSION**  
 PRESENTS:  
**48TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE & SCIENTIFIC MEETING IBADAN 2024**  
**28TH-30TH AUGUST 2024**  
**THEME:**  
 Haematology Practice in Nigeria: Challenges and Prospects

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**  
 Submit here - [nshbt.ibadan2024@gmail.com](mailto:nshbt.ibadan2024@gmail.com)  
 Deadline for submission - 31/7/2024, 11:59pm

**FORMAT OF SUBMISSION**

- Title of paper
- Name and address of Author(s)
- Name and address (including the mobile phone number and email) of the author who will present the paper and to whom correspondence should be addressed
- Background, Objectives, Methods, Results, Conclusion
- The Abstract should not exceed 250 word count

**NOTE**

- The abstracts must be for completed scientific work
- Abstracts without results will not be accepted
- The Abstracts will be peer-reviewed and those selected will have the opportunity to present the abstract once they have registered for the conference
- Limited spaces are available
- Certificate of abstract presentation will be issued at the end of the conference
- Abstract will only be accepted from participants registered for the conference only

PROF. J.A. OLANIYI  
 LOC Chair

DR. TAIWO R. KOTILA  
 Scientific Subcommittee Chairperson

SN	Title of the Abstract	Author
1	Antibody Screening and Differentiation with own Reagents at Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital, Kano, Nigeria	Dr. Halima Ismail
2	Preservation of Red Blood Cells for Antibody Screening and Differentiation	
3	Establishing COOMB's Cross-Matching in Kano Hospitals	Kabiru Sulaiman
4	Improving transfusion medicine service in Nigeria – regular audits, team discussions, assignment of responsibilities facilitate sustainable improvements	Dr. Kathleen Selleng
5	Safe Blood for Kano – cross-sectional and longitudinal population-based study on blood donor and transfusion recipient characteristic in Northern Nigeria – Data on blood donors	Dr. Dalha Haliru Gwarzo
6	Organization of a blood bank: Lesson from Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital	Prof. Aisha-Kuliya Gwarzo

- The 4th Jini Na Quartely Review Meeting (QRM) is coming up on the 24<sup>th</sup> of August 2024 for both the Stakeholders and the Research Assistants (Save the Date).

**Save the Date:**

4th QRM for the Jini Na Project is coming up on

August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024