

Ministry of Health Achievement Highlights – January, 2024 to August, 2025

Infrastructure Development

The Ministry of Health (MOH) significantly advanced health infrastructure across Liberia to enhance healthcare delivery. A total of 28 infrastructural projects are underway, including construction and renovation of hospitals, laboratories, staff quarters, and oxygen plants:

- ❖ New C.H. Rennie Hospital: Site clearance and leveling in progress.
- ❖ Redemption Hospital (Caldwell): 75% complete; 155-bed facility.
- ❖ Staff Housing in Zwedru: 8 of 15 nearing completion.
- ❖ Drugs Susceptible TB Laboratory (LIBR): Renovation 99% complete; solar power installed.
- ❖ Gbalatuah Diagnostic Center: 50% complete; staff quarters foundation done.
- ❖ Five health facilities handed over by WHH in five counties.
- ❖ Sanniquelle and Buchanan: 100-bed hospital complexes under construction.
- ❖ Oxygen plant shelters in Grand Bassa and JFK completed.
- ❖ 3-story partner building: finishing stage.
- ❖ 12 facility renovations in six counties ongoing.
- ❖ Multiple medical infrastructure projects funded by World Bank, Global Fund, and GOL.

Health Workforce Enhancement

MOH focused on strengthening the workforce:

- ❖ Upgraded salaries of 5,675 health workers.
- ❖ Absorbed 666 verified volunteers; 501 enrolled as of June 2025.
- ❖ Processed and submitted additional 813 volunteers Personnel Action Notices (PANs) to CSA for enrollment
- ❖ Direct replacement method: 178 new staff enrolled.
- ❖ New training programs launched for Scrub Nurse, Radiography, and Nurse Anesthesia.
- ❖ 30 health workers trained in China; 34 nurses specialized in Kenya completed training.
- ❖ National Health Workforce Census Conducted in 921 health facilities across the country. The final draft report out for stakeholders inputs.
- ❖ HRH Policy revision and HRH Strategy Plan underway and hiring of Consultant by MOH & World Bank ongoing.
- ❖ IHRIS-DHIS2 integration approved and a consultant contract has been signed.
- ❖ HR supervision conducted; 123 staff trained in performance management.

HRH with support from the world Bank conducted supervision, coaching and mentoring of HR Officers in 8 Counties (Lofa, Bong, Nimba, Margibi, Sione, Grand Kru, River Gee and Maryland Counties)

Health Information Systems (HIS) The HIS Unit conducted several initiatives to strengthen health data:

- ❖ National/Regional Ledger ToT Workshops.
- ❖ Semi-Annual Data Verification (July 2024 – June 2025) completed.
- ❖ Health Facility Demographic Data entered.
- ❖ COVID-19 backlog data entered into DHIS2.
- ❖ Updated DHIS2 and reconciled past records.
- ❖ Developed facility-level population estimates with LISGIS.
- ❖ Nationwide Electronic Immunization Registry (EIR) Training Conducted in all fifteen.

Health Financing Progress towards Universal Health Coverage includes:

- ❖ National Social Health Insurance legislation drafted.
- ❖ Health budget increased from US\$75.5M (FY23) to US\$80.1M (FY24).
- ❖ Conducted Liberia Health Equity Fund valuation and National Health Accounts.
- ❖ Completed costing of Community Health and Child Survival strategies.
- ❖ Conducted Resource Mapping & Expenditure Tracking.
- ❖ Completed FY2024 Global Fund counterpart financing report.
- ❖ **Community Revolving Drug Fund (CRDF):**
 - After nation-wide community mobilization, the manual to guide the process has been developed and validated
 - CRDF has been launched in 3 Counties and is being carried out in 75 health facilities across the country.
 - The seed fund has been procured and secured for all public health facilities.
 - Training for all health workers in CRDF is ongoing.

Supply Chain Management A robust pharmaceutical and medical commodity supply system was ensured:

- ❖ National Task Force established.
- ❖ GoL allocated US\$4.7M for essential medicines (4 quarterly distributions).
- ❖ Additional funding: World Bank (US\$2.4M), GAVI/GoL (US\$7.19M), Global Fund (US\$3.94M), UNFPA, UNICEF, World Bank (US\$1.24M).
- ❖ FY2025 Q1 commodity distribution completed (US\$4.55M value).
- ❖ Categories led by Essential Drugs (45% of value).
- ❖ FY2025: GoL allocated US\$5.8M for continued procurement.

Health Service Delivery and Disease Control Programs

Family Health Division

Maternal deaths peaked in Q2 2024 (80 deaths); lowest in Q1 2025 (32). - Caesarean sections highest in Q2 2024 (3,351); stabilized around 2,980. - Deliveries peaked at 37,012 (Q2 2024); lowest 33,132 (Q4 2024). - Neonatal deaths peaked at 208 (Q2 2024); lowest 146 (Q4 2024).

Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI)

Malaria vaccine introduced in 6 southeastern counties. - Three nationwide Polio campaigns; Measles catch-up in 15 counties. - HPV vaccination in Montserrado exceeded targets (38,000 girls). - Mpox vaccine introduced; 5,000 persons vaccinated. - Routine immunization intensified; cold chain supervision conducted.

Mental Health Unit

National Drugs and Substance Abuse Committee established. - Psychiatric Hospital in Bentol 25% complete. - 9 psychiatrists deployed; SUD OPD/IPD services launched. - 217 healthcare providers trained in mhGAP 3.0 and SUD. - Mental health dashboards launched; wellness spaces created.

Global Fund Programs

Malaria Control

2024 saw full-year commodity distribution. - Confirmed cases reduced to 1.4M; deaths down from 8 to 4 per 100,000. - Over 2M bed nets distributed (88% coverage). - Malaria vaccine rollout begins nationwide August 2025. - END-Malaria Council established for domestic resource mobilization.

HIV/AIDS Control

Progress against 95-95-95 targets: 80%-98%-95%. - 10 point-of-care devices deployed; duo testing scaled nationwide. - EMR (DHIS2 tracker) usage expanded.

TB & Leprosy Control

Case notification rose to 7,672 in 2024. - Treatment success rate improved to 80%. - TB medicine, microscopes, x-ray, and GeneXpert machines procured. - Land secured for TB Annex relocation; rehabilitation underway.

International Participation & Recognition

- ❖ On August 26, 2024, we were elected as ‘First Vice President’ at the 74th Session of the World Health Organization (WHO) Regional Committee for Africa held in Congo Brazzaville.
- ❖ On May 25, 2025, we were elected as ‘Third Vice President’ of the 78th World Health Assembly in Geneva, Switzerland.
- ❖ We represented Liberia at the World Health Assembly in Geneva, Switzerland; United Nations General Assembly in New York, USA; and most recently in October, we attended the Health Security Program in Praia, Cape Verde; and the Merck Foundation Africa Asia Luminary Annual Conference held in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania. All these trips have consorted our ties with other health institutions around the world that we’re currently working with in Liberia and others that we’re in discussions with to provide support to Liberia.

