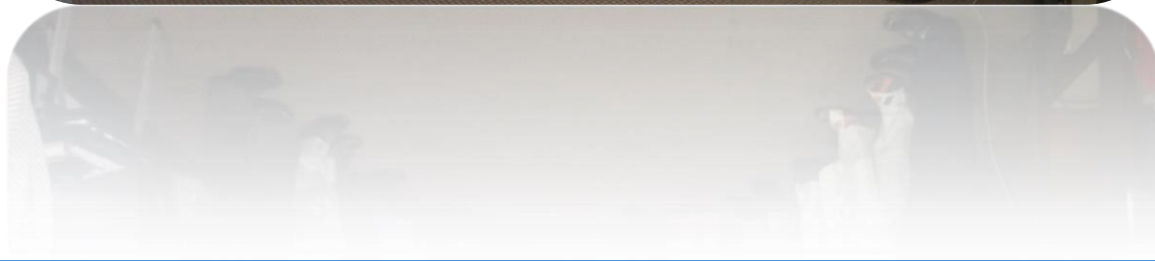

REPORT ON NIGERIAN DELEGATES

Strengthening Institutional Mechanism for Poverty Reduction and Inclusive Development

July 20th 2016



On the 20th of July morning, at 0900, a meeting was conducted between 12 members of the Nigerian delegation and MOH staff, Dr Tedla, Mr. Melaku, Dr. Zufan and two IifPHC staffs. Dr. Tedla opened the meeting with an introduction and the agenda for the day.

One of the Nigerian delegates took the floor, to explain that it's customary in Nigerian culture to go around the table and have participants introduce themselves. Thus, the 12 delegates introduced themselves and stated their affiliation. The group of Nigerian consisted of:

- Brigade General, AD Chinoko
- Navy Captain KJ Odubanjo
- Colonel, U.I. Mohammed
- Mrs. Osifeso Iyabo
- Mrs. Burromvat.N.P
- Dr. Alex A. Maiyanga
- Mr. Obiri Luka W
- Colonel, Yusuf Bako
- CP Nkpa Inakwa
- G.O Asaolu
- Professor. Olivet Jabusah
- Abubakar Ismaila Isa

After formal introductions, Mr. Melaku Gebremichael presented his very informative slide show on **Health Policy, planning and development in Ethiopia**. At the end of the presentation questions such as: the ratio of doctors to patients, the differences between health center and health posts, the affordability of Health Care and Health Care financing were raised and were answered by Mr. Melaku. These answers further raised more questions on drugs such

as; whether they are manufactured in Ethiopia or imported and who controls their distribution. The Nigerians gave example on how in Nigeria, the drug industry has become so liberalized that in some bustling city centers, there are people that, despite not being trained in any medical field, sells both Over-The-Counter (OTC) and prescription drugs by spreading the cocktail of drugs on trays and wooden shelves. Dr Tedla in collaboration with Mr. Melaku explained how drug policy, legislation and regulations are controlled by FMHACA. After a long meaningful and effective discussion, Dr Zufan gave an enlightening lecture on Health Extension programs. This module raised many questions, which lead to an illuminating discussion among the delegates, Dr Zufan and Dr Tedla. The questions were regarding the salaries of Health Extension workers, the use of contraception and enquiries on the legality of abortion. At the end of this debriefing on Ethiopia's Health Extension program, Dr Tedla introduced the International Institute for Primary Health Care in Ethiopia; its purpose, its vision and its mission. The Nigerian delegates expressed their interest on returning back to Ethiopia with the right team of people to benefit of the service that IifPHC has to offer. At the end of the day, pictures were taken and contact information's were exchanged.