

# RESPONDING & BUILDING RESILIENCE

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2020 ANNUAL REPORT



**DRASA**  
Health Trust

# 2020 REFLECTIONS

**5,531**  
beneficiaries

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In 2020 we reached more direct beneficiaries than ever before. From health workers to religious leaders to teachers and school administrators, our work engaged a wide variety of stakeholders and members of society.

**147**  
programs

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As part of the COVID-19 pandemic response team, our programs and activities not only continued but increased - even during the lockdown. We pivoted our trainings, community outreaches and youth competitions to focus on stopping the pandemic.

**5**  
states

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Despite the restrictions on movement and travel, we were able to provide services across Nigeria to train, support and equip state governments, communities and health workers in their fight against COVID-19.





# MD'S STATEMENT

The COVID-19 pandemic has challenged us in immeasurable ways, transforming how we live, work and move. It has also tested health systems around the world, exposing gaps and opportunities to improve.

In January 2020, before the virus was even detected in Nigeria, we were working to prepare, equip and train for what we knew was an inevitable public health emergency.

Our goal was to respond to the emerging pandemic but also to build resilience: strengthening our existing health system and engaging communities to take charge of their health.

We focused on implementing interventions that would remain beyond the pandemic to ensure we have a stronger and more resilient health system that can protect and care for us all.

DRASA was established for a time like this and I am so proud to say we are fulfilling our mission of **protecting public health**.

In 2020 we worked harder than ever and witnessed the power of working together towards a common cause. We are proud to say that we not only responded to the emergency but also used COVID-19 as an opportunity to build our nation's resilience.

With all we were able to accomplish in 2020, we cannot wait to see what 2021 holds. Despite the many losses we experienced this year, the future is promising. There is hope and opportunity to do a lot more.

Thank you for supporting our journey.

**NINIOLA WILLIAMS**

*Managing Director*





# ABOUT DRASA

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DRASA Health Trust is a public health nonprofit organization working with local and international partners, community leaders, students, health workers and government to strengthen Nigeria's health system and keep people healthy and safe



Our name (DRASA) is an abbreviation of Dr. Ameyo Stella Adadevoh, the heroic doctor who diagnosed and contained Nigeria's first case of Ebola in 2014. Her efforts prevented a major outbreak and saved countless lives, but as a result, she contracted the virus and died.



DRASA was established to continue her legacy of **protecting public health.**



# OUR WORK

We invest in building champions and ambassadors to work alongside us as we strengthen Nigeria's health system together



Our technical program areas are:



## Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)

Ensuring access to and proper use of effective medications to treat diseases



## Health Security and Emergency Preparedness

Building a strong and resilient public health system that is ready for emergencies



## Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)

Identifying and stopping the spread of infections in hospitals and communities



## Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

Ensuring access to clean, safe water and adequate sanitation facilities



# WHAT WE DO

## Youth Ambassador Programs



Educating secondary school students to be champions of health and hygiene

## Technical Training Programs



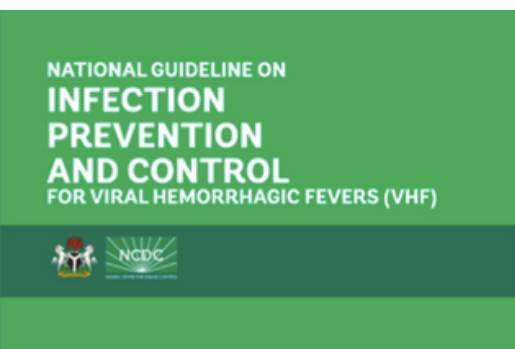
Training health workers to prevent and detect infections and control outbreaks

## Awareness & Outreach Programs



Engaging community leaders and influencers to improve sanitation and health

## Public Health Policy Development



Supporting the development of public health policies and national guidelines

## Emergency Planning & Simulation Exercises



Facilitating simulation exercises at major ports of entry to test preparedness for emergencies

## Public Health Advocacy



Hosting public health events and conducting advocacy visits with local partners

# 2020 IMPACT





# 2020 IN NUMBERS

13,226



Items of personal protective equipment (PPE) distributed

5,531



Beneficiaries trained through our capacity building programs

147



Programs and events conducted throughout 2020

39



Isolation and quarantine sites assessed

21



State and local government guidelines and procedures developed

5



States reached

46%

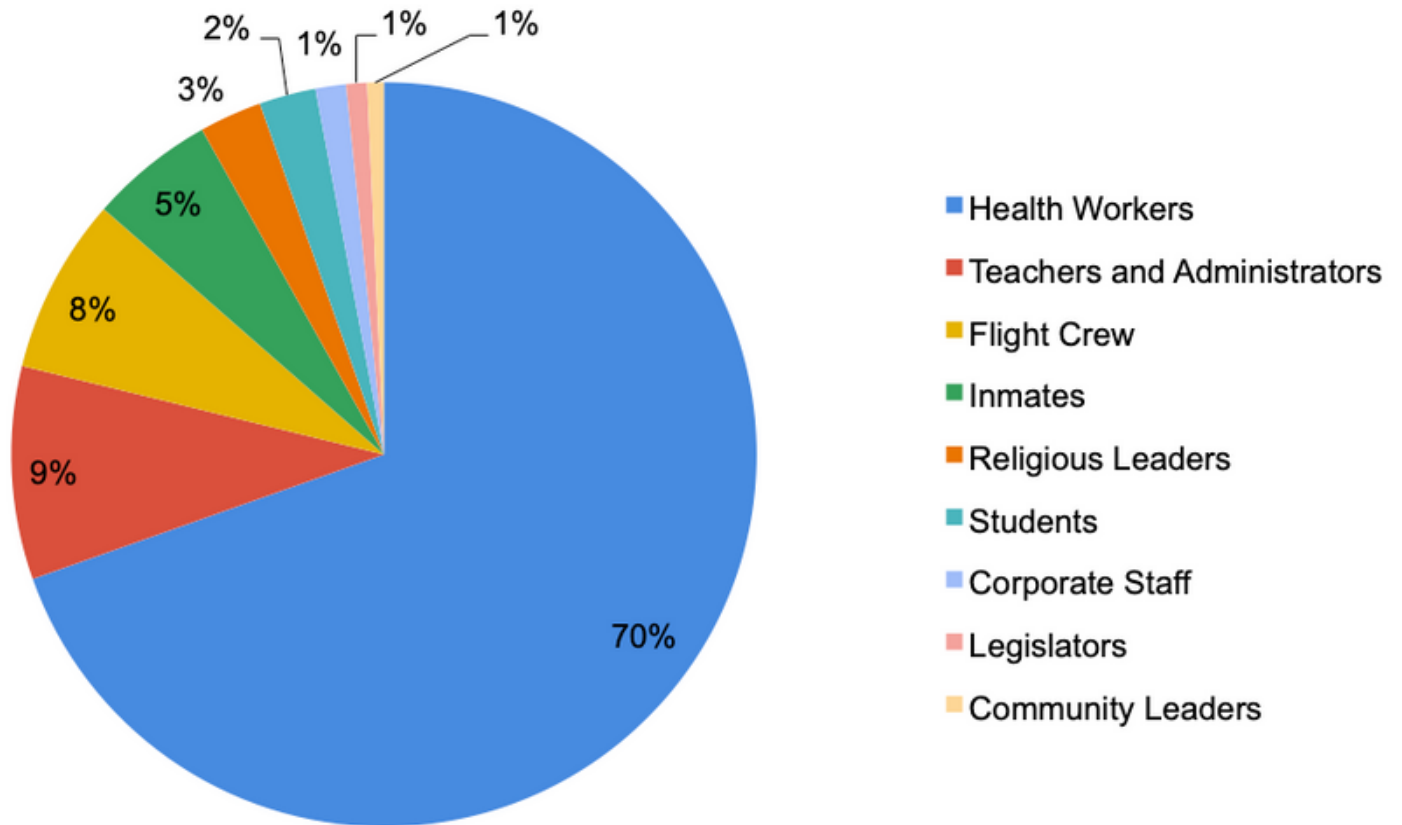


The average change in knowledge score for health workers trained through our programs

85%

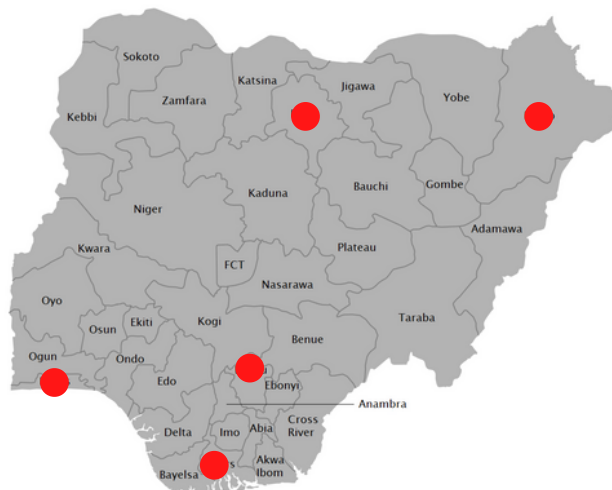
# 2020 IMPACT

Breakdown of our 5,531 beneficiaries:



5 states:

- Borno
- Enugu
- Kano
- Lagos
- Rivers



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**BECAUSE OF DRASA'S  
TRAINING WE WERE ABLE  
TO GET ACCREDITED. NOW  
WE CAN CONFIDENTLY SAY  
OUR STAFF ARE WELL  
EQUIPPED TO HELP  
CONTAIN INFECTIOUS  
DISEASES.**

*- Dr. Yemi Johnson, Medical Director*

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# 2020 IMPACT PHOTOS



**3,848** health workers



**1,157** hospitality, aviation, religious and education staff



**39** isolation and quarantine centers

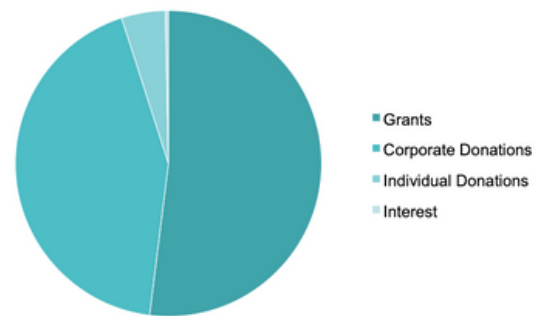


**21** guidelines and SOPs

# 2020 FINANCIALS

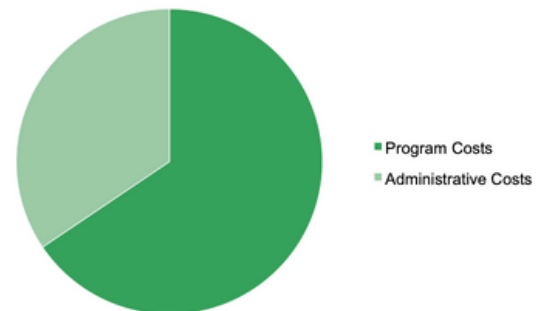
## Income

Grants	N24,132,881
Corporate Donations	N19,999,511
Individual Donations	N2,151,952
Interest	N151,239
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>N46,435,583</b>



## Expenses

Program Costs	N13,789,795
Administrative Costs	N7,250,951
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>N21,040,746</b>



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**PERSONALLY IT WAS ONE OF THE BEST SESSIONS I HAD EXPERIENCED IN A WHILE. YOU KNOW YOU'VE HAD A GREAT TRAINING WHEN YOU FEEL LIKE AN EXPERT AFTERWARDS AND SPEND AN HOUR TRYING TO EXPLAIN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE TRAINING TO OTHERS – AND THAT'S HOW I FELT. INITIALLY, WE ONLY REGISTERED ABOUT 25% OF OUR TEAM FOR THE TRAINING BUT AFTERWARDS, WE DECIDED TO CONDUCT THE SAME TRAINING FOR THE REST OF OUR TEAM MEMBERS.**

*- Segun Demuren, Managing Director/CEO of  
EAN Aviation Limited*

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# 2020 HIGHLIGHTS

# ANTIBIOTIC GUARDIAN AWARD

In November we won a 2020 Antibiotic Guardian Award from Public Health England for our unique way of tackling misuse of antibiotics: using a curriculum we developed to train DRASA Youth Ambassadors.

Our model is to train the students weekly through Health and Hygiene Clubs which we established in their schools over 7 - 10 months. Through the Club's lessons and activities, we empower them to become champions of healthy behavior in their schools, homes and communities.







# WHO SPOTLIGHT

The World Health Organization (WHO) African Region featured our DRASA Youth Ambassador Program on their website to showcase our work and impact with Nigerian youth.

Glorious Erhuanga, one of our DRASA Youth Ambassadors, shared her experience with us including why she joined DRASA's Health and Hygiene Club in her school, the lessons she learned as a member of the Club and how we shaped her knowledge of how to stay healthy.

# EMERGENCY PLAN FOR NIGERIA'S LARGEST SEAPORT

Over the course of 8 months, we partnered with ProHealth International to develop Nigeria's first Public Health Emergency Contingency Plan for a seaport: Apapa Seaport in Lagos, the largest seaport in the country.

We worked with 20 representatives from Port Health Services, Immigration, Customs, Nigerian Ports Authority, Police, Fire Services, private clinics, shipping companies and several other stakeholders to develop a comprehensive plan and operating procedures that address all public health emergencies and hazards within and around the seaport.





# GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY

Despite the pandemic, the End SARS protests and unrest across Nigeria, we were determined to celebrate Global Handwashing Day 2020, albeit a few weeks late.

We partnered with Ikeja Electric and Kleanmate to visit Ipodo market - one of the most notorious markets in Lagos. We spoke to 40 men and women leaders, answered their health questions, taught them the importance of handwashing and demonstrated the proper way to clean their hands.

# YOUTH POSTER COMPETITION

Due to the pandemic, we could not host our annual DRASA's Got Talent Youth Competition however, we still wanted to find creative ways to engage students so we partnered with World Health Organization (WHO) Nigeria and Ducit Blue Foundation to host a Youth Poster Competition.

We created a forum for secondary school students to be educated on the global threat of antimicrobial resistance (AMR), express their creativity and become AMR Ambassadors.

Each student then developed a poster and video explaining *"What AMR Means To Me"* and how to prevent it and we selected 10 winners from all the submissions.



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**THE TRAINING WAS EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE AND OUR STAFF WHO DID NOT UNDERSTAND THE IMPACT OF THE VIRUS AND HOW TO CARRY OUT THEIR DUTIES IN AND OUTSIDE THE WORKPLACE BECAME A LOT MORE CONFIDENT ON SAFE PRACTICES TO ADOPT. LANGUAGE WAS SIMPLE, EFFECTIVE AND NOT JARGON LADEN WHICH ENSURED THAT THE SESSION WAS TRULY INTERACTIVE AND INTERESTING. DRASA REALLY ADDED A LOT OF VALUE TO OUR ORGANIZATION WITH THE QUALITY OF TRAINING WHICH SPANNED ALL LEVELS OF STAFF.**

*- Kemi Marinho, Managing Director, Kemabom Catering*

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# PARTNERS

We have always believed in the power of partnerships and more than ever, COVID-19 demonstrated how much impact we can have when we work together.

Seeing continent-wide, national and local entities step up to the pandemic challenge was inspiring and reminded us of how far we can go when we look within ourselves.

We are proud to have worked with these partners through a time of crisis across our nation.



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# THANK YOU

As a nonprofit organization, DRASA relies on grants, donations and in-kind contributions to achieve our mission.

**Thank you for being part of our story.**

Together, we are leveraging local capacity and building champions and ambassadors to collectively protect our public health and strengthen our health system.





# DRASA

## Health Trust

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