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MESSAGE *from* OUR FOUNDER



I am filled with profound appreciation for the incredible impact we have collectively achieved in 2023. Each one of you, our incredible Country Coordinators, our dedicated State Health Equity Champions, our amazing volunteers, and our transformative funders and partners have been a force for inspiring hope, transforming communities, and saving precious lives.

SRHIN's work reached Aisha, whose parents were murdered by brutal terrorists in the internally displaced person's camps in Northern Nigeria, who received mental health support, and Florence, who did not know about the mpox virus in Southern Nigeria. Aisha and Florence are just two of the 1.6 million people we have reached since SRHIN was founded in 2017.

In 2023, we conducted health projects in over 120 communities across Africa, led Nigeria's community health efforts against the mpox virus on the Canada-Africa mpox project in partnership with researchers from the University of Toronto, the Nigerian Institute for Medical Research (NIMR), IHVN, among others, onboarded 35 State Health Equity Champions, trained over 110 researchers in our Research Academy, presented our work in over 30 international conferences traveling to 13 countries across 5 continents (Europe, Africa, North America, Australia and Asia), and published over 30 academic studies in international peer-reviewed journals, including the Lancet journals, among others.

We did not stop there, we premiered our first ever documentary entitled 'My Safe Place', produced our first song entitled, 'My Diamond Friend' and expanded our operations to Rwanda. Hence, we are now officially registered in 5 countries in Africa (Nigeria, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Sierra Leone and Rwanda).

To our State Health Equity Champions, your leadership has been the catalyst for our success. To our Country Coordinators, thank you for inspiring us to dream bigger and for turning those dreams into reality. To our passionate people, you are not just volunteers, supporters or partners; you are architects of change, builders of a healthier and more inclusive society. Together, we've reached unprecedented milestones, bringing healthcare, hope, and a sense of community to those who need it most.

For 2024, we will keep co-creating transformative solutions with communities, leveraging innovative technologies to scale our work, and expanding our partnership base as we look forward to advancing our health equity work on key areas that are highlighted in SRHIN's ambitious Strategic Action Plan 2022-2026.

Thank you for being the heartbeat of the Slum and Rural Health Initiative. Here's to a year filled with new challenges, new triumphs, and an unyielding commitment to making the world a healthier, happier place for all.

With heartfelt appreciation and great anticipation,

Dr. Isaac Olufadewa

Founder, Slum and Rural Health Initiative



About Us

Slum and Rural Health Initiative is a non-governmental organization that started operations in 2017 and is officially registered in Nigeria, Ethiopia, The Gambia and Sierra Leone that improves access to healthcare information and services in Africa especially in vulnerable and underserved communities using the tools of advocacy, research and technology.

We are a team of health professionals, researchers, information technology experts, graphics designers, and social entrepreneurs who are changing the sad narrative about healthcare in Nigeria and many other countries in Africa.

We are a youth-led, volunteer-driven and health-focused organization that strongly believes that improving access to healthcare information and services is more than an act of charity it is that of social justice. We work to promote quality healthcare information and services among young people who live in vulnerable communities due to the intersecting challenges that they face.



Our Mission

We envision an Africa where healthcare information and services is easily available to everyone, everywhere.



Our Vision

To improve access to health information and services by connecting health professionals to the populace through advocacy, technology and research so that they can make the right health decisions.



SRHIN in Numbers

8 African Countries

1.2M Community Members and People Reached

2,400 Volunteers from All Around the World

33+ Conferences and Scholarships Won by Members

20,000 Hours of Committed Service

155+ International Peer Reviewed Publications

274+ Outreaches and Events Organized

407 Online, Print, Radio and TV appearances

3.6M+ Combined Social Media Impressions



How we Work



We are locally grounded through the work of our active 24 state coordinators who manage the volunteer community and supervise our innovative projects

Our Board of Trustees provide strategic direction to the Executive Team who implement our innovative and impactful project across the country.

The team is further supported by a Global Advisory Board whose insights, ideas and network benefit our organization and the marginalized communities we serve



Dr. Isaac Olufadewo

Executive Director,
Slum and Rural Health Initiative
Medical Doctor & African Union Scholar
Mandela Washington & Women Deliver Fellow
Member, LANCET COVID-19 Commission

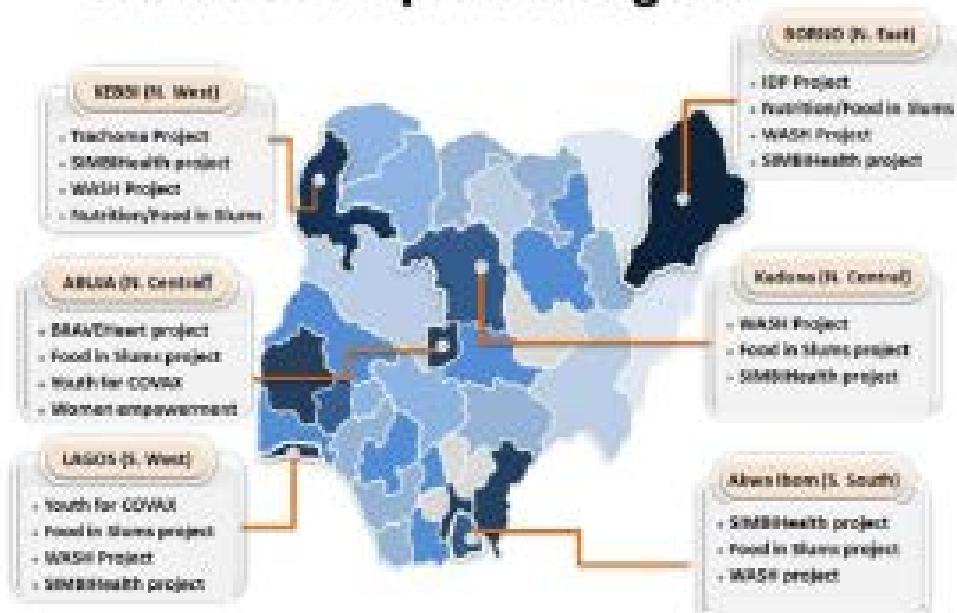


Miracle Adesina

Country Coordinator (Nigeria),
Slum and Rural Health Initiative
Researcher with over 70 publications
Member, WHO-HIFA Essential
Health Services and COVID-19 Taskforce

Our Foot Print

SRHIN's Footprint in Nigeria



**FRIENDSHIP
TENT**

"Friendship Tent" is a solar powered mental health centre that serves thousands of migrants in New Kucingore/Durumi IDP camp. The project is supported by a close to \$200,000 (USD) transformative investment from Grand Challenges Canada

Project Sponsors:



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Grands Défis Canada

NIHR | National Institute
for Health Research



OUR



**SRHIN
Slum and Rural
Health Initiative**

Our Projects



Brave Heart

Preventing mental illness, reducing severity of mental health symptoms and developing policies to reduce the mental health burden among vulnerable young people



Youth 4 COVAX

Increasing vaccine uptake and decreasing vaccine hesitancy among young people



SRHIN Research Academy

Empowering early career researchers across over 12 countries



SIMBIHealth

Africa's flagship artificial intelligence-driven innovation that delivers comprehensive sexual, mental and social health education in multiple languages





Impact Analysis Project

Monitoring, measuring and make sense of your social, health and development using world standard validated tools, approach and model



Food in Slums

A comprehensive nutrition strategy to reduce the burden of malnutrition



Trachoma Project

Using One health approach and the SAFE strategy to combat neglected tropical diseases



Infographics Project

Simplifying, summarizing and sharing reliable health information in an easy-to-understand format (visual texts and videos)



Our Projects



CAMPS Project

This project involves conducting formative research on community willingness to accept monkeypox.



The Ambassadors

The Ambassadors Project, launched in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, successfully addressed vaccine hesitancy and misinformation in rural communities.



University Hubs

The main goal of the University Hub is to drive the vision of SRHIN as an organization in various university campuses as well as the development of professional capacity of undergraduate students.

Safe workplace

The Safe Workplace project involved training 100 abattoir workers in Ibadan, Nigeria on abattoir safety, zoonotic diseases, and preventive measures against occupational diseases.



Pink Month

The Pink October Project in Ibadan, Oyo State, aimed to enhance breast cancer awareness among secondary school students.

Malaria

This project aims to assess the effectiveness of school-based malaria case management in selected private secondary schools in Nigeria.



Project Spotlight

The University Hub Project



The University Hub Project



The main goal of the University Hub is to drive the vision of SRHIN as an organization in various university campuses as well as the development of professional capacity of undergraduate students. The Hubs act under three (3) tenets; Advocacy, Research, and Technology (ART).

The hubs are involved in the following activities:

- Organize online and physical health campaigns and outreaches.
- Involved in training its members on research and technology.
- Write and publish research articles within the scope of its existence.
- Have regular meetings to discuss pertinent issues affecting the hub.
- Partner with the main association for important events.
- Organize a yearly program to enhance bonding and show the year's progress and grow.

Picture Splash



Accomplishments

120+

Communities

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Onboarded

Onboarded 35 State Health Equity Champions

110+

Researchers

Trained over 110 researchers in our Research Academy

30+

Conferences

presented our work in over 30 international conferences traveling to 13 countries across 5 continents (Europe, Africa, North America, Australia and Asia)

30+

Academic Studies

published over 30 academic studies in international peer-reviewed journals, including the Lancet journals, among others

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Countries

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Conferences Attended

March

The Lancet Summit: Childhood Obesity
Location: virtual
Presenter: **Dr Isaac Olufadewa**

April

CUGH Conference.
Location: Washington DC, USA.

June

Vaccination Acceptance Research Network (VARN) 2023 Conference
Location: Bangkok, Thailand

July

Women Deliver Conference
Location: Rwanda

The 12th IAS Conference on HIV Science
Location: Brisbane, Australia
Presenter: **Ruth Oladele**

Dettol Quest Conference
Location: Lagos, Nigeria
Presenter: **Dr Moyin Oladoye**

September

CDC Conference
Location: USA

October

One Young World Summit
Location: Belfast, UK.
Presenter: **Dr Isaac Olufadewa & Ruth Oladele**

Uppsala Health Summit 2023
Location: Uppsala, Sweden

Goalkeepers Award 2023
Location: New York City, USA

November

CPHIA Conference
Location: Zambia
Presenter: **Miracle Adesina**

2023 Global Mental Health Conference
Location: NIH Building, USA

American Public Health Association (APHA) Conference 2023
Location: Atlanta, USA

December

13th Typhoid and Salmonella Conference
Location: Rwanda
Presenter: **Miracle Adesina**

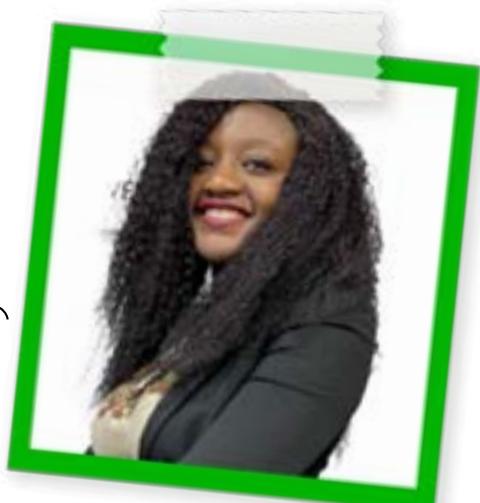
Global Hygiene Symposium 2023
Organizers: Reckitt and Chatham House
Location: Singapore

Celebrating our Women in Global Health



Ruth Oladele,

- IAS 2023 Young Leader,
- Member, Pandemic Periods
- Has over 15 research studies
- She presented 6 research in 4 conferences in 2023



Toluwase Olufadewa,

- One Health Team Lead
- Senior Partnership Officer, Moving Mind Alliance Research Fellow
- Allen Foster Early Career Research Fellow



Mary Akinwola,

- CYFI fellows (Carrington Fellowship of the United States Government in Nigeria)



Deborah Akinrinde,

- The Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (RSTMH) early career grant awardee
- Duke Centre for Policy Impact in Global Health grant awardee

SRHIN HEALTH EQUITY CHAMPION SPOTLIGHT



Matthew Ogonnaya SHEC Abuja Chapter

Q: Can you introduce yourself, Matthew, and tell us a bit about your background and what motivated you to become a volunteer for SRHIN?

A: I'm Chukwuma Matthew Ogonnaya, a humanitarian aid worker with 12 years of experience. I'm passionate about women and youth empowerment, peace, and gender justice. and I am currently the SHEC for Abuja chapter, I volunteer with SRHIN to bridge healthcare disparities and create a more equitable society.

Q: Lastly, Matthew, what message would you like to share with others who may be interested in supporting or getting involved with SRHIN's mission to improve health outcomes in Nigeria's slums and rural areas?

A: Access to healthcare is critical, and support is needed. I encourage health advocacy and holding political representatives accountable for their responsibilities. Strategic awareness campaigns are essential for community knowledge about available healthcare services.

Norah Chisom Obunadike SHEC Delta State

My name is Norah Chisom Obunadike, a passionate Development Researcher experienced in data collection, project management, M&E, and Data analysis. My career journey has shown me the transformative power of research in shaping interventions for critical health issues, but my commitment to public health extends beyond data—it's about creating tangible change in communities.

Inspired by SRHIN's dedication to social impact, particularly their emphasis on youth leadership, I joined their Health Equity Champion program.

This volunteer initiative aligns perfectly with my goal of actively championing solutions within communities. Through leadership webinars, health program advocacy, stakeholder engagement, and spearheading fundraising, I've made a tangible impact, such as organizing a successful Tuberculosis outreach program in Delta State, commemorating World TB Day. Joining as a Volunteer Health Equity Champion has allowed me to merge my research expertise with a drive to make a real difference on the ground, fostering a movement of passionate young people committed to health equity.





Testimonials

"I'm really happy to be a beneficiary of this program. I have learnt to operate computers. Thank you so much and God bless the initiators of this program."

- Ms. Ali (Adamawa State) Beneficiary, Communities Against Sexual Violence Project

"There are many people in this IDP camp who have one mental health condition or the other, We are grateful to the Slum and Rural Health Initiative team that raised awareness on mental health, constructed a solar-powered Friendship Tent in the IDP community to recognize and treat young people with mental illness"

- Mr Solomon, IDP Camp Community Leader, Northern Nigeria

"As a State Health Equity Champion, I have improved my leadership capabilities, organizational skills, project management and my interpersonal skills. It has given me the chance and perfect platform to do what I have always wanted to do, which is to help people and further reduce the health inequity in my community"

- Pharm. Ibrahim Abdulkumain Damilola
SRHIN Kwara State Health Equity Champion

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Grant Officer



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SRHIN HEALTH EQUITY CHAMPIONS - SHEC

STATE	NAME
Abia	Gideon Iheme
Adamawa	Milcah Gaman
Akwa Ibom	Ndikpongke-Abasi Umoh
Anambra	Chizoba Judith
Bauchi	Saidu Ahmed
Bayelsa	Isaac Ampitan
Benue	Michael Benjamin
Borno	Ibrahim Khalil Ja'afar
Cross River	Victoria Effiong
Delta	Norah Obunadike
Ebonyi	Chidera Nweze
Edo	
Ekiti	Kehinde Ogunseyin
Enugu	Victor Ekoche Ali
Gombe	Sulaiman Abubakar Umar
Jigawa	Ibrahim Adamu
Kaduna	Yahaya Muhammad
Kano	Abdulazeez Musa
Kastina	Lawal Abubakar
Kebbi	Haliru Abdullahi
Kogi	Nimatullah Yahaya
Kwara	Maryam Adepoju
Kwara	Toluwayemi Ayorinde
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Lagos 2	Ruth Ojo
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Nasarawa 2	Mohammed Abdullahi
Niger	Abubakar Sadiq Muhammad
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Ondo	Sunday Akinrelere
Osun	Peace Poopola
Oyo	Funmilola Adu
Oyo 2	Mercy Ogunwale
Plateau	Kitgak Simon
Rivers	Desire Waribo
Sokoto	Domnica Emelife
Taraba	Patience Kataps
Yobe	Christian Musa
Zamfara	Biliyaminu Mamuda
Abuja	Matthew Ogonnaya Chukwuma
Abuja 2	Blessing Abah
Abuja 3	Dooyum Dealam

**"We Partner with
Communities
to Advance
Health Equity"**

Contact Us!

"SRHIN is dedicated to improving healthcare delivery by providing innovative solutions that enhance health outcomes in rural and slum communities."

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