

Preventing Epidemics in Nigeria: A Reading List

Nigeria has work to do to prepare for the next epidemic: The country's ReadyScore is 46 out of 100, according to an assessment conducted in November 2019. Want to find out more about Nigeria's most urgent disease threats and plans to find, stop and prevent them from getting out of control – as well as critical preparedness gaps that require additional funding to get filled? Try this reading list.

Nigeria's preparedness gaps and priorities

1 National Action Plan for Health Security Federal Republic of Nigeria (2018 – 2022)

NCDC & Relevant Ministries, Agencies, Departments and Development Partners.

NAPHS is a comprehensive multi-sectoral plan addressing the major gaps identified by the Joint External Evaluation (2017) and Performance of Veterinary Services (2010) assessments and prioritizing them by national strategies and risks.

2 Country-led midterm JEE (report: November 18-22, 2019)

NCDC & WHO

Country-led Mid-Term Joint External Evaluation of International Health Regulations Capacities With the review of Nigeria's International Health Regulations (IHR, 2005) capacities to prevent, detect and respond to public health threats showing a new average JEE score of 46% for Nigeria done in 2019.

3 JEE of IHR core capacities of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (mission report: June 11-20, 2017)

WHO

First Joint External Evaluation conducted to determine the country's capacity to find, stop and prevent public health risks across 19 technical areas.

4 Weekly Epidemiological Reports by the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control

NCDC

The NCDC weekly report provides weekly epidemiological information on disease outbreaks in the country, highlighting important events and actions taken by relevant authorities.

5 International Journal of Infectious Diseases

Chinenyenwa O, Adeleye B, Tauseef A

Generally, African countries have fragile health systems, and this remains a source of concern. There is an urgent need to put into perspective these realities peculiar to Africa including Nigeria and explore available collective measures and interventions to address the COVID-19 pandemic.



The case for epidemic preparedness funding

6 Policy Responses to COVID-19

IMF

This policy tracker summarizes the key economic responses governments are taking to limit the human and economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The tracker includes 196 economies. Last updated on September 11, 2020.

7 Understanding the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on the Nigerian economy

Chukwuka Onyekwena and Mma Amara Ekeruche

The COVID-19 pandemic is a wake-up call to policymakers as the unusual and unprecedented nature of the crisis has made it impossible for citizens to rely on foreign health care services and more difficult to solicit for international support given the competing demand for medical supplies and equipment.

8 The implication of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Nigerian Economy

Lateef Olawale Akanni & Samuel Chukwudi Gabriel

The emergence of COVID-19 and its increasing incidence in Nigeria has called for drastic review and changes in the earlier revenue expectations and fiscal projections.

9 How can Nigeria withstand the economic impact of COVID-19?

CNBC Africa

Analysts say Nigeria's economy could be headed for a recession by the end of this year on the back of the massive decline in crude prices caused by the Coronavirus pandemic. Danilola Akinbami, Head of Research at Financial Derivatives at CNBC Africa.

10 The Politics of Epidemics

Dr. Tom Frieden

Coronavirus and other infectious disease agents don't care about governments, ideologies, or borders. But politics in the fight against disease can cost us lives and money.

11 Global Economic Effects of COVID-19

Congressional Research Service

The economic fallout from the pandemic raises the risks of a global economic recession with levels of unemployment not experienced since the Great Depression of the 1930s. This report provides an overview of the global economic costs to date and the response by governments and international institutions to address these effects.

