

Nigeria

Large Scale Food Fortification

Executing Agency

National Planning Commission: Phase One

National Agency for Food and Drug Administration
and Control: Phase Two

Program Partners

Association of Food, Beverage
and Tobacco Employers

Consumer Protection Council

DEVCOM

Federal Ministry of Health, Nutrition Division

Flour Millers Association

Helen Keller International

Micronutrient Initiative

National Fortification Alliance

Nigeria Institute of Food Science and Technology

Standards Organization of Nigeria

UNICEF

USAID

World Health Organization

Objectives

The objective of the project is to reduce micronutrient deficiencies amongst vulnerable and at-risk groups through the mandatory fortification of wheat and maize flour, vegetable oil and sugar.



Production & Distribution

By 2011 the project aims to produce 1'400'000 Metric Tons (MT) of fortified wheat flour, 116'000 MT of fortified maize flour, 763'000 MT of fortified vegetable oil and 900'000 MT of fortified sugar.

Legislation

The Nigeria mandatory food fortification regulations became operational in 2004 and food fortification standards for the approved food vehicles in 2002.

Quality Assurance and Control

A sampling and inspection protocol for regulatory monitoring has been developed. Training on quality assurance and control for industry and government regulatory partners is being undertaken.

Actual / Target Beneficiaries

Beneficiary Reach (in three years)

Wheat flour (Iron, vitamin A, and B-complex vitamins)

TARGETED COVERAGE — 52'258'839

EFFECTIVE COVERAGE AS OF JUNE 2009 — n/a

Vegetable oil (Vitamin A)

TARGETED COVERAGE — 20'746'587

EFFECTIVE COVERAGE AS OF JUNE 2009 — n/a

Sugar (Vitamin A)

TARGETED COVERAGE — 38'067'133

EFFECTIVE COVERAGE AS OF JUNE 2009 — n/a

Maize flour (Iron, vitamin A, and B-complex vitamins)

TARGETED COVERAGE — 3'812'200

EFFECTIVE COVERAGE AS OF JUNE 2009 — n/a

Social Marketing

Appropriate social marketing material has been developed and produced and a social marketing program has been initiated.

Monitoring & Evaluation

A baseline survey in regard to the per capita consumption of vitamin A-fortified wheat flour, maize flour, sugar and vegetable oil has been concluded.

