

The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) with funding support from the South Korea Government (KOICA) and facilitated by the Centre for Population and Reproductive Health is undertaking surgery of women suffering from Visico Viginal Fistula (VVF) and Competency Based Fistula Repair Training for Doctors and Nurses from Northeast Nigeria holding at Specialist Hospital Yola. Out of seventy (70) VVF patients booked for the operation, thirty-six (36) have so far been operated successfully

The lead trainer is Prof. Oladosu Ojengbede, President Emeritus, International Society of Obstetric Fistula Surgeon (ISOFS). State Program Officer UNFPA, Dr. Maisaratu Bakari, Consultant Obstetrician, Gynaecology and State Team Lead Fistula Repair Committee, said the Competency Based Training which will last for seventeen days involves Doctors and Nurses from Kwara, Sokoto, Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States.

Maisaratu commended Adamawa state government and the wife of the governor for support to ensure the success of the programme. Dr Wadinga Dauda, Managing Director Specialist Hospital Yola explained that the programme was not only to train the personnel, but to repair women suffering from Visico Viginal Fistula in the North east. Commenting, Adamawa State Commissioner for Health, Prof. Abdullahi Isa said the state government appreciated the presence of the operation team, noting that some women suffered from health complications for over twenty years.

Meanwhile, Wife of the Adamawa State Governor Hajiya Lami Fintiri Saturday donated gifts to women undergoing visico Viginal Fistula Surgery at specialist Hospital Yola. The gifts include undisclosed amount of money, toiletries, sanitary pads and wrappers among others. Showing her appreciation Hajiya Lami thanked UNFPA and KOICA for coming to their aid and putting smiles to the affected women.