

Nigeria

# Nutrition

unicef   
for every child

## What do we want to change?



**45%**

of all deaths of under-5 children is caused by malnutrition



**37%**

of children are stunted



**1.4 million**

children suffer from severe acute malnutrition

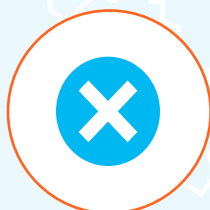


Only **34%** of babies exclusively breastfed in the first 6 months



Only **18%** of children 6 to 23 months are fed the minimum acceptable diet

## What are our priorities?



Prevention of malnutrition



When prevention fails, treat children with severe acute malnutrition



Awareness of best feeding practices



Community mobilization



Integration and scale through System Strengthening

## What are we doing?



Improving policy implementation using data and evidence at the national and subnational levels



Reshaping behavioural practices of parents and caregivers

Preventing malnutrition amongst women, children, and adolescents with treatment as the last option



Strengthening the health, food and social protection system to deliver high impact nutrition services at scale

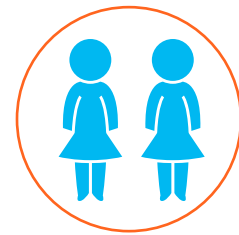
What have we accomplished in 2022?



**4.9 million** caregivers received counselling and support to improve child feeding



**20,360** health workers trained to provide maternal, infant and young child feeding counselling



**1.2 million** adolescent girls and boys received iron and folic acid



**17** states with costed food and nutrition plan



**2 million** children were treated for severe acute malnutrition

What do we need?



Strengthened data systems and governance and leadership in nutrition at the federal and state levels



Budget lines at the state and federal levels for nutrition with allocations made and budgets released



US\$ 126 million to address nutrition



Massive scale-up and integration of nutrition preventative and curative services in the health system



Behaviour change interventions and formal and sustainable community platforms for delivery of nutrition services at scale