

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE NATIONAL PROGRAMME ON IMMUNISATION ACT, 1997 AND TRANSFER THE FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL PROGRAMME ON IMMUNISATION TO THE NATIONAL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

*Sponsored by Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*

Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows:

1                    1. The National Programme on Immunisation Act, 1997 is hereby

Repeal

2                    repealed.

3                    2. The National Programme on Immunisation Management Board

Dissolution of Management Board

4                    (hereinafter referred to as the "Management Board") is hereby dissolved.

5                    3.— (1) In addition to the functions conferred on it by section 3 of

Transfer of functions and amendment of No. 29 of 1992

6                    the National Primary Health Care Development Agency Act 1992, the

7                    National Primary Health Care Development Agency (hereinafter referred to

8                    as "the Agency") shall—

9                    (a) support States and local governments in their immunisation

10                    programmes by supplying them with vaccines, needles, syringes, cold chain

11                    equipment and such other things and logistics as may be required for those

12                    programmes;

13                    (b) monitor and evaluate the execution of immunisation

14                    programmes nationwide;

15                    (c) provide training facilities to the States and governments for

16                    persons involved in their immunisation programmes;

17                    (d) mobilise support from the United Nations Organisation, World

18                    Health Organisation, United Nations Children's Fund, non-governmental

19                    organisations, voluntary organisations and other concerned groups and

20                    individuals, towards the realisation of its objective;

1 (e) advise the Federal, State and local governments, the private sector  
2 and other interested bodies regarding the quality, safety and regulatory  
3 provisions on issues relating to immunisation;

4 (f) compile and publish relevant data resulting from the performance  
5 of its functions under this Act or from other sources; and

6 (g) perform such other functions and exercise such other powers not  
7 inconsistent with its objective and functions under this Act as the Minister may,  
8 from time to time, assign to it.

9 (2) Section 3 of the National Primary Health Care Development  
10 Agency Act, 1992 is hereby amended by incorporating the content of  
11 subsection (1) as subsection (2) of that section.

12 4.—(1) By virtue of this Act, there shall vest in the Agency all assets,  
13 funds, resources and other movable and immovable properties which  
14 immediately before the commencement of this Act were vested in the  
15 Programme.

16 (2) As from the commencement of this Act, all rights, interests,  
17 obligations and liabilities of the Programme existing before the  
18 commencement of this Act under any contract or instrument, in law or equity,  
19 shall by virtue of this Act be assigned to and vested in the Agency.

20 (3) Any proceedings or cause of action pending or existing  
21 immediately before the commencement of this Act by or against the  
22 Programme in respect of any right, interest, obligation or liability of the  
23 Programme may be commenced or continued, as the case may be, against the  
24 Agency.

25 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Act, a person who  
26 immediately before the commencement of this Act was employed in the  
27 dissolved Programme, shall be deemed to have been transferred to the Agency  
28 on terms and conditions not less favourable than those obtaining immediately  
29 before the commencement, of this Act.

- 1                   **5. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—** Interpretation  
2           **"Agency" means the National Primary Health Care Development Agency;**  
3           **"Minister" means the Minister charged with responsibility for health;**  
4           **"Ministry" means the Federal Ministry of Health.**
- 5                   **6. This Act may be cited as the National Programme on** Short Title  
6           **Immunisation (Repeal) Bill, 2015.**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note does not form part of the above Act  
but is intended to explain its purports)

This Act provides for the repeal of the National Programme on Immunisation dissolution of the National Programme on Immunisation Board and transfer of the function of the National Programme on Immunisation to the National Primary Health Care Development Agency and for other matters connected therewith.

