

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FEDERAL COLLEGE OF NURSING, MID-WIFERY AND HEALTH SCIENCES CHIBOK, BORNO STATE AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Jaha Ahmadu Usman

[] Commencement

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

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PART I - ESTABLISHMENT

1.-(1) There is established a College of Nursing, Mid-Wifery and Health Sciences, Chibok, Borno State (hereinafter referred to as the "College").

Establishment of the Federal College of Nursing, Mid-Wifery and Health Sciences, Chibok, Borno State

(2) The College shall-

(a) have the status of a tertiary institution with rights and privileges of such institutions; and

(b) be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal with powers to sue and be sued in its corporate name.

2. The objects of the College shall be-

Objects of the College

(a) To provide training and research in Nursing, Mid-Wifery, Health Sciences and other specialities of Nursing leading to the award of Professional Certificate, Diplomas and other post Basic Certificates;

(b) To provide avenues for continuing education in Nursing, Midwifery, Health Sciences and other related specialities of Nursing; and

(c) To provide such services that are necessary and incidental to the objects of the College.

3.-(1) The College shall be a teaching and examining body and shall, subject to the provisions of the Act and the regulations of the College have powers to-

Functions and powers of the College

1 (a) Provide rules and conditions under which persons may be
2 admitted as students for any particular course of study provided by the College;

3 (b) Make provisions for research and the dissemination of
4 knowledge;

5 (c) Establish Departments and such other units of learning and
6 research as the purpose of the College may require;

7 (d) Create such offices and posts as the purpose of the College may
8 require and to appoint persons to and remove persons from such offices or posts
9 and prescribe their conditions of service;

10 (e) Maintain libraries, laboratories, workshops, lecture halls, hostels,
11 dining halls, sports field and other buildings of facilities of the College;

12 (f) Provide for residence, recreation and welfare of member of staff
13 and students of the College as may be deemed necessary;

14 (g) Demand and receive students and other persons attending the
15 College for the purpose of instruction such fees as the College may from time
16 to time determine;

17 (h) Prescribe rules for the discipline of students of the College;

18 (i) Conduct examinations and arrange for award of certificates and
19 distinctions to persons who pursue courses of studies approved by the College
20 and who satisfy such other requirements as may from time to time be
21 prescribed;

22 (j) Subject to specific limitations or conditions that may be imposed
23 by extant Government regulations, or circulars, invest any fund apportioned to
24 the College by way of endowment, whether for general or special purpose, and
25 such other monies as may not immediately be required for current expenditure
26 in any investment or securities;

27 (k) Print or publish works or undertake services as may be deemed
28 consistent with the objects of the College;

29 (l) Do such other acts and things necessary under this Act for the

1. attainment of the objects of the College or incidental to the powers of the
2 College; and

3 (m) Carry out any special or general directive consistent with
4 Government policy as the Secretary of Health may give in writing.

5 (2) Without prejudice to the generally of the provision of section 2
6 of this Act and subsection (1) of this section, the College may special
7 arrangement with the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria or other
8 examination bodies prepare its students for award of Certificates or other
9 distinctions.

10 (3) Subject to provisions of this Act and of any other statute, the
11 powers conferred on the College by subsection (1) of this section shall be
12 exercised on behalf of the College by the Council and the Committees
13 established for the College or by such officers and other staff of the College
14 as may be authorised in that behalf and may also be exercised through
15 Schools established under this Act.

16 4.-(1) The provost shall have custody of the common seal of the
17 College and shall be responsible for affixing same to documents.

Common seal
of the College

18 (2). The common seal of the College shall not be used save upon the
19 direction of the Council and shall be authenticated by the signature of the
20 Provost.

21 PART II - GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE COLLEGE

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23 5.-(1) There shall be established for the College a Governing
24 Council to be known as the Governing Council of the College of Nursing,
25 Mid-Wifery, Health Sciences and other related specialities of Nursing.

Governing
Council

26 (2) The Council shall consist of-

27 (a) chairman, who shall be appointed on part time basis by the
28 Minister on the recommendation of the Secretary by Health;

29 (b) a representative of the Secretary of Health;

30 (c) the provost of the College;

1 (d) a representative of the Borno State chapter of the National
2 Association of Nigerian Nurses and Midwives;

3 (e) two members to represent the interest of the Public to be appointed
4 by the Minister on the recommendation of the Secretary of Health;

5 (f) a representative of the Borno State Treasury;

6 (g) a representative from the Borno State Ministry of Justice;

7 (h) a representative of Borno state Ministry of Education;

8 (i) a director of nursing in Borno state Hospitals Management Board;

9 and

10 (j) the Director, Nursing Services of the Secretariat who shall also
11 serve as the Secretary;

Tenure of office

12 6.-(1) Members of the Council other than ex-officio members shall
13 hold office for a period of four years from the date of their appointment and
14 shall be eligible to re-appointment for one further term of four years and no
15 more.

16 (2) Any member of the Council other than an ex-officio member may
17 notice to the Council resign his appointment.

18 (3) Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Council shall be
19 filled by the appointment of a successor who shall represent the same interest
20 as his predecessor for the remainder of the term of the predecessor.

Functions of
the Council

21 7.-(1) Subject to the provision of this Bill, the Council shall-

22 (a) be the governing authority of the College;

23 (b) be charged with the general control and superintendence of the
24 policies, finances and properties of the College;

25 (c) make regulations for the day to day management of the College;
26 and

27 (d) do any other thing necessary or incidental to attachment of objects
28 of the College;

29 (2). Without prejudice to the provisions of subsection (1) of this
30 section, the Council shall-

1 (a) ensure that the courses and instructions provided by the College
2 conform to the required standards from time to time by the Nursing
3 and Midwifery Council of Nigeria;

4 (b) regulate the teaching of courses offered by the College, and also
5 regulate the conduct of examinations with respect to the College;

6 (c) approve contracts for the procurement of equipment, furniture
7 and other properties required for the purpose of the College;

8 (d) approve the contracts for maintenance of the premises and
9 other properties of the College;

10 (e) formulate policies and initiate programmes in all fields of
11 learning conducted by the college;

12 (f) assess from time to time the courses offered by the College; and

13 (g) perform such other functions as may be necessary;

14 (3). The Nursing Council any of its functions, other than the power
15 to make regulations, to the Chairman or any other person Committee it
16 deems fit in that behalf, but no decision of such person or Committee shall
17 take effect unless ratified by the Council.

18 8. The Director, Nursing Services of the Secretariat shall be the
19 Secretary to the Council, and for any particular meeting that he may be
20 absent, he shall send a representative to act in that behalf.

Secretary to the
Council

21 9.-(1) The Secretary of Health may give to the Council directions
22 as to the discharge of its functions in relation to matters appearing to the
23 Secretary of Health to affect Public interest and the Council shall give effect
24 to such directive.

Power of Secretary
of Health to give
directives

25 (2) The Council shall afford the Secretary of Health facilities for
26 obtaining information with respect to the Property of the College and the
27 functions of the Council and shall be furnished with returns, accounts and
28 afford to him facilities for verification of the information furnished in such
29 manner and at such times as he may require.

1 **PART III - SCHOOLS, DEPARTMENTS AND UNITS WITHIN THE COLLEGE**

Schools

2 **10.-(1)** There shall be within the College a School of Nursing and the
3 a School of Midwifery and such other Schools as the Secretariat may with the
4 approval of the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria establish.

5 (2) Each school shall provide instruction for courses, conduct
6 research and carry out such other functions as may be prescribed by the
7 Council with the approval of the Secretary of Health.

8 (3) The constitution of and other matters relating to each school may
9 be prescribed by the Council with the approval of the Secretary of Health.

Department

10 **11.** In furtherance of the provisions of Section 3(1)(c) of this Act, the
11 Council shall with the approval of the Secretary of Health establish for each
12 school such Departments as the Nursing and Midwifery Council to Nigeria
13 may from time to time prescribe.

Other Units

14 **12.** Subject to the provision of this Act, the Council may with the
15 approval of the Secretary of Health establish units for special purposes within
16 the College; and the name, constitution and functions of any units may be
17 prescribed by direction of the Council.

18 **PART IV - PRINCIPAL OFFICERS AND STAFF OF THE COLLEGE**

College Provost

19 **13.** There shall be for the College a Provost and other principal
20 officers, the designations, qualifications, functions and appointments of whom
21 shall be as spelt out in sections 19 to 25 of this Act.

Principal Officers

22 **14.-(1)** The Principal Officers of the College shall include-

23 (a) The Provost of the College; of the College

24 (b) The Deputy Deans (Academic and Administration) of the school in
25 the College;

26 (c) The Registrar;

27 (d) The College Librarian; and

28 (e) The Bursar.

29 (2) The Principal Officers of the College other than Deans and Deputy
30 Deans of Schools in the College shall be appointed by the Council subject to

1 the approval of the Minister through the Secretary of Health.

2 (3) The Deans and Deputy Deans of Schools in the College shall be
3 appointed by the Council.

4 15.-(1) The Provost shall be appointed from amongst the academic Provost
5 staff of the College and shall be the Chief Executive and Administrator of
6 the College and also be responsible to the Council for maintaining and
7 promoting efficiency and discipline in the College.

8 (2) The Provost shall hold degree in Nursing and shall be a
9 registered Educator in Nursing, Midwifery or other specialty areas of
10 Nursing with not less than fifteen years of teaching experience

11 16.-(1) The Deans of Schools in the College shall be responsible to Deans
12 the Provost for the Administration of the Schools.

13 (2) The Deans of Schools in the College shall hold degree in
14 Nursing and shall be registered Educators in the Nursing specialty related
15 to their respective School and with not less than ten years of teaching
16 experience.

17 17.-(1) The Deputy Deans of Schools in the College shall be the Deputy Deans
18 Chief Assistants to the Deans of their respective Schools and shall perform
19 such duties as may be assigned to them by the Deans.

20 18.-(1) The Registrar of the College shall be the head of Registrar
21 administrator of the School and shall be responsible to the Provost.

22 (2) The Registrar shall be an experienced graduate of humanities
23 with not less than fifteen years' experience in Public Administration

24 (3) The person holding the office of the Registrar of the College
25 shall by virtue of that office be the Secretary of Academic Board and the
26 Finance and General Purpose Committee.

27 19.-(1) The Bursar shall be the Chief Financial officer of the Bursar
28 College and shall be responsible to the Provost for the day to day
29 administrator of the financial affairs of the College.

30 (2) The Bursar shall be a qualified Accountant with not less than

1 ten years post qualification experience

Librarian

2 20.-(1) The Librarian shall be responsible to the Provost for the co-
3 ordination of Library services in the College.

4 (2) The Librarian shall have a degree in Library Sciences with not
5 less than ten years post qualification experience as a Librarian.

Other staff
appointment

6 21. The Council may appoint such other persons to be staff of the
7 College as it may deem fit on such terms and conditions as may be specified in
8 their instruments of

Removal from
office

9 22.- (1) The Principal Officers and other senior staff of the College
10 may be removed from office by the Minister for misconduct, incompetence or
11 any other justifiable reason on the recommendation of the Council

12 (2) The Council shall power to remove any junior staff of the College
13 for justifiable reasons.

14 PART IV - ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONS OF COMMITTEE

Finance and
General Purpose

15 23. There shall be a Committee of the Council to be known as the
16 Finance and General Purpose Committee.

Composition of
Finance and
General Purpose
Committee

17 24.- (1) The Finance and General Purpose Committee shall consist of-

18 (a) the chairman of the Governing Council who shall be the
19 Chairman;

20 (b) the representative of the Secretary of Health;

21 (c) the Provost of the College;

22 (d) the Director of Finance and Administration in the Secretariat

23 (e) the Director of Nursing Services in the Secretariat;

24 (f) one member of the Academic Committee to be appointed by the
25 Council; and

26 (2) the Registrar shall be the Secretary of the Committee.

Functions of the
General Purpose
Committee

27 25. The Finance and general Purpose Committee shall-

28 (a) exercise control over property, revenue and expenditure of the
29 College;

30 (b) award contracts for the execution of projects of the College; and

(c) Perform such other functions as the Council may Delegate to it.

26.(1) Further to the provisions of Section 11 of this Bill, anybody of persons established by this Act shall, without prejudice to the generality of the powers of that body, have power to constitute Committees, which do not consist exclusively of members of that body, and to authorize a Committee established by it-

Other Committee

(a) To exercise, on its behalf, such of its functions as it may determine; and

(b) To co-opt members, and may direct whether or not co-opted members, if any, shall be entitled to vote in that Committee

(2) Any two or more of such bodies may arrange for the holding of joint meetings of those bodies or for the appointment of Committees consisting of members of those bodies for the purpose of considering any matter within the competence of those bodies or any of them and either of dealing with it or of reporting on it to those bodies or any of them.

(3) The quorum and procedure of a Committee established or meeting held in pursuance of this section shall be such as may be determined by the body or bodies which have decided to establish the committee or hold the meeting.

PART V - ACADEMIC BOARD

27. There shall be for each school of the College an Academic Board which shall be responsible for the academic work of the school.

Establishment of Academic

28. The Academic Board of each School of the College shall be composed-

Composition of the Academic Board

(a) The Provost of the College, as chairman;

(b) The Dean of the School, as Deputy Chairman;

(c) The Deputy of Deans of the School;

(d) All Heads of Departments of the School;

(e) One Academic staff not below the rank of Senior Lecturer to be selected from each of the Departments of the School;

1 (f) A representative of the Director, Nursing Services in the
2 Secretariat;

3 (g) The School Librarian; and

4 (h) The Registrar who shall be Secretary of the Board.

Functions of the
Academic Board

5 **29.** Subject to the overall control and direction of the Council, the
6 Academic Board of each School of the College shall perform the following
7 functions:

8 (1) Regulating and organising the process of admissions, conduct of
9 examinations, award of certificates and all formalities relating to the
10 registration and licensing of graduates.

11 (2) Making recommendations to the Council on appointment of
12 academic staff of the School and on the organization of Departments, Libraries
13 and other units of learning and research in the school.

14 (3) Making guidelines for the purpose of exercising any of the
15 functions conferred on it under the provisions of this Section.

16 (4) Preparing curriculum for the School in line with guidelines from
17 the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria and or other regulatory bodies.

18 (5) Performing such other functions that may be assigned to it by the
19 Council.

20 **PART VI - SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS**

Schedule

21 **30.** The supplementary provisions contained in the Schedule shall
22 have effect in relation to the proceedings of the various bodies appointed under
23 the provisions of this Bill.

Transition

24 **31.** In the absence of the Council and until it is constituted for the
25 College the functions and powers of the Council under this Act may be
26 exercised by the Secretary of Health in consultation with the Director of
27 Nursing Services in the Secretariat.

28 **PART VII - PROPERTY AND FINANCE**

Property of the
College

29 **32.** The Governor of Borno State, may, by order transfer any property
30 whether movable or immovable to the college and from the date of such order,

1 any property so transferred shall vest in the College and shall be used for the
2 purpose of the College.

3 33. The Council may, subject to the provisions of this Act-

Power of the
Council to hold
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4 (a) acquire and hold such movable or immovable property as may
5 be necessary or expedient for carrying into effect the provisions of this Act;

6 (b) invest the funds of the College in such manner and such extent
7 as it may deem necessary or expedient; and

8 (c) enter into contractual agreements on behalf of College.

9 34. (1) The Council shall have power to approve expenditure of
10 over N 100,000.00 but not exceeding the N 1,000,000.00 per unit
11 transaction for the procurement of goods, works and services and shall refer
12 procurements exceeding the amount to the Secretary of Health.

Expenditure of
the College

13 (2) The Provost shall approve procurement of works, goods and
14 services not exceeding N 100,000.00.

15 (3) The thresholds mentioned in this Section may be adjusted, in
16 the case of-

17 (a) Subsection (1) by the Secretary of Health; and

18 (b) Subsection (2) by the Council.

19 35. The revenue of the College shall include-

Removal of the
College

20 (a) Revenue from time to time accruing to the College by way of
21 Government grant, subvention or endowment or other forms of grant-in-aid;

22 (b) Fees charged by and payable in respect of students;

23 (c) Any other amounts, charges or dues recoverable by the College;

24 (d) Receipts for publications or services;

25 (e) Interest on investments;

26 (f) Donations and Legacies.

27 36. Before the end of each financial year, or at such other time as
28 may be required by the Council, the Director, Finance and Administration of
29 the Provost shall present for Council estimates of revenue and expenditure
30 for the ensuing financial year and the accepted estimates shall be presented

Annual Estimate

1 to the Secretary of Health who shall cause same to be placed before the
2 Minister for approval.

3 37.-(1) The College shall prepare in respect of each financial year a
4 statement of account in such form as may be approved by the secretary of
5 Health and the said annual statement of accounts shall be a fair and accurate
6 statement of the financial positions of the College for the financial year to
7 which it relates.

8 (2) The said Annual Statement of Accounts shall be Audited by the
9 Auditor-General of the Federation or by such competent auditors appointed by
10 him.

11 (3) The said audited statement of accounts, after verification by the
12 Council shall together with the auditor's report be forwarded to the secretary of
13 Health who shall cause the same to be placed before the Minister.

Interpretation

14 38. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires:

15 "Academic Board", means the Academic Board established under this Act;

16 "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Governing Council of the College or
17 where the context requires a chairman of the respective committees established
18 under this Act;

19 "College" means Federal College of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Sciences
20 Chibok;

21 "Council" means the Governing Council established under section 4(1) of this
22 Act for the College;

23 "Executive Committee" means the Federal Executive Committee;

24 "Junior Staff" is a reference to staff on CONHESS 01-05 or salary Grade
25 Levels 01-06;

26 "Members" means members of the Council and include the Chairman of the
27 Council;

28 "Minister" Minister of Education;

29 "Provost" means the Provost of the College;

30 "Regulations" means any regulation formulated for the College by the Council;

- 1 "Secretariat" means Federal Ministry of Health;
- 2 "Secretary" means the Secretary to the Council of the College and other-
- 3 wise means the Secretary of any Committee established under this Act:
- 4 "Secretary of Health" means the Permanent Secretary of the Federal
- 5 Ministry of Health;
- 6 "Senior Staff" is reference to staff on CONHESS 06-16 or Salary Grade
- 7 Level 07-17;
- 8 **39. This Bill may be cited as Federal College of Nursing,**
- 9 **Midwifery and Health Sciences Chibok Borno State (Establishment) Bill,**
- 10 **2021.**

Citation

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to provide for the establishment of the Federal College of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Sciences Chibok Borno State.

1 SCHEDULE

2 SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISION AS TO THE COUNCIL AND OTHER
3 CONSTITUTED BODIES OF THE COLLEGE

4 *Summoning of meeting of the Council*

5 1.-(1) The Chairman, or in his absence the appointed to act in that
6 behalf, may at time direct the Secretary to summon a meeting of the Council.

7 (2) Any three members of the Council may by notice in writing signed
8 by them request the Chairman to summon a special meeting of the Council for
9 the purpose set out in such notice to be summoned.

10 *Meeting of the Council*

11 2.-(1) The Council shall meet at such times and places as the chairman
12 may appoint provided that Council shall hold at least four(4) meetings in each
13 academic year.

14 (2) At any meeting of the Council, the Chairman shall Preside and in
15 his absence shall choose one of their Members to preside for that particular
16 meeting

17 *Co-option of Members*

18 3. Where upon any special occasion the Council desires to obtain the
19 advice of or any special information from any person on any particular matter,
20 the Council may co-opt such person to be a member of such meetings as may be
21 required and such a person whilst so co-opted shall have all the rights and
22 privileges of a member save that he shall not be entitled to vote on any question.

23 *Quorum of the Council*

24 4. The quorum for any meeting of the Council shall be two Third of
25 the members.

26 *Voting*

27 5.-(1) Every question before the Council at any meeting shall be
28 determined by a simple majority of the Members present and voting

29 (2) Each member present and voting at any meeting shall have one
30 vote but in case of any equal divisions of vote, the Chairman of the meeting

1 may have a second or casting vote.

2 *Taking of Minutes*

3 6.-(1) Without prejudice to the provision of Section 8 of this Act,
4 when the Secretary is absent at a meeting of any of the bodies established
5 under this Act, the Chairman thereof may appoint a suitable person to act as
6 Secretary.

7 (2) The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the minutes book
8 provided for such purposes.

9 (3) The minutes of every meeting shall be signed by the Chairman
10 of the meeting after it has been approved at the next meeting.

11 *Council may appoint Committee*

12 7. The Council may appoint Committees to which it may delegate
13 any of its responsibilities and functions in sub-section 1 of this Act

14 *Standing Order*

15 8.-(1) Without prejudice to any of the provisions of this Act, the
16 Council may, with the approval of the Secretary of Health make Standing
17 Order with respect to the holding of its meeting, the proceeding, the keeping
18 of minutes of such proceedings, and production for inspection of such
19 minutes custody and any other matter that may be considered necessary or
20 desirable.

21 (2) The Academic Board and Finance and General Purpose
22 Committee of the College may with the approval of the Council make
23 similar Standing Order as in sub-section 1 of this Act.

24 Defect in appointment

Defect in appointment not to invalidate proceeding

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9. No act of other proceeding of the Council, the Academic Committee or any Committee set up under this Act shall be invalid by reason only that:

(a) There is defect in the appointment of a person purporting to be a member of anybody or committee created pursuant to this Act.

(b) There is a vacancy in any position in the body or committee so created.

1 approval of the Minister through the Secretary of Health.

2 (2) The Deans and the Deputy Deans of Schools in shall be
3 appointed by the Council.

4 15.-(1) The Provost shall be appointed from amongst the Academic
5 staff of the College and shall be the Chief Executive and Administrator of
6 the College and also be responsible to the Council for maintaining and
7 promoting efficiency and discipline in the College.

Appointment
of Provost

8 (2) The Provost shall hold a Degree in Nursing and shall be a
9 registered Educator in Nursing, Midwifery or other specialty areas of
10 Nursing with not less than fifteen (15) years of teaching experience.

11 16.-(1) The Deans of Schools in the College shall be responsible to
12 the Provost for the Administration of the Schools.

Deans

13 (2) The Deans of Schools in the College shall hold Degree in
14 Nursing and shall be registered Educators in the Nursing specialty related to
15 their respective Schools and with not less than Ten (10) years of teaching
16 experience.

17 17.-(1) The Deputy Deans of Schools in the College shall be the
18 assistants to the Deans of their respective Schools and shall perform such
19 duties as may be assign to them by the Deans.

Deputy Deans

20 (2) The Deputy Deans of schools in the College shall hold Degree
21 in Nursing and shall be Registered Educator in the Nursing specialty related
22 to their respective schools with less than seven (7) years teaching
23 experience.

24 18.-(1) The Registrar of the College shall be the Head of
25 Administration of the College shall be responsible to the Provost.

The Registrar
of the College

26 (2) The Registrar shall be an experienced Graduate of Humanities
27 with not less than fifteen (15) years' experience in Public Administration

28 (3) The person holding the office of the Registrar of the College
29 shall by virtue of that office be the Secretary to the Academic Board and the
30 Finance and General Purpose Committee.

The Bursar 1 19.-(1) The Bursar shall be the Chief Financial Officer of the College
2 and shall be responsible to the Provost for the day to day administration of the
3 financial affairs of the College.

4 (2) The Bursar shall be a qualified Accountant with not less than Ten
5 (10) years post qualification experience.

The Librarian 6 20.-(1) the Librarian shall be responsible to the Provost for the Co-
7 ordination of Library Services in College.

8 (2) The Librarian shall have a Degree in Library Sciences with not
9 less than ten years post qualification experience as a Librarian.

10 21. The Council may appoint such other persons to be Staff of the
11 College as it may deems fit on such terms and conditions as may specified in
12 their instructions of appointment.

Removal from
office 13 22.-(1) The Principal Officers and other Senior Staff of the College
14 may be removed from office by the Commission for misconduct,
15 incompetence or any other justifiable reason on the recommendation of the
16 council.

17 (2) The Council shall have power to remove any Junior Staff of the
18 College for justifiable reasons.

19 PART V - ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONS OF COMMITTEES

Finance and
General Purpose 20 23. There shall be a Committee of the Council to known as the
21 Finance and General Purpose Committee.

Composition
of the Committee 22 24.-(1) The Finance and General Purpose Committee shall consist of:

23 (a) The Chairman of the Governing Council who shall be the
24 chairman;

25 (b) The respective of the Secretary of Health;

26 (c) The Provost of the College;

27 (d) The Director of Finance and Administration in the Secretariat;

28 (e) The Director of Nursing Services in the Secretariat;

29 (f) One member of the Academic Committee to be appointed by the
30 Council; and

1 (2) The Registrar shall be Secretary of the Committee.

2 **Functions of the Committee**

3 25. The finance and general purpose committee shall:

4 (a) Exercise control over property, revenue and expenditure of the College;

5 (b) Award contracts for the execution of project of the College; and

6 (c) Perform such other functions as the Council may delegate to it.

7 26.-(1) Anybody of persons established by this Act shall, without prejudice
8 to the generality of the powers of that body, have power to constitute
9 Committees, which need not consist exclusively of members of that body,
10 and to authorize a Committee established by it;

11 (a) To exercise, on its behalf, such of its function as it may determine; and

12 (b) To co-opt Members, and may direct whether or not co-opted members if
13 any, shall be entitle to vote in that Committee

14 (2) Any two or more such bodies may arrange for the holding of Joint
15 meetings of those bodies or for the appointment of Committees consisting of
16 members of those bodies for the purpose of considering any matter within
17 the competence of those bodies or any of them and either of dealing with it or
18 of reporting on it to those bodies or any of them.

19 (3) The quorum and procedure of a committee establish or meeting held in
20 pursuance of this section shall be such as may be determined by the body or
21 bodies which have decide to establish the Committee or hold the meeting.

22 **PART VI - ACADEMIC BOARD**

23 27. There shall be for each School of the College an Academic
24 Board which shall be responsible for the academic work of the School.

25 28. The Academic Board of each school of the College shall be
26 composed of:

27 (a) The provost of the College, as Chairman;

28 (b) The Dean of the school, as Deputy Chairman;

29 (c) The Deputy of Dean of the School;

30 (d) All Heads of Department of the Schools;

1 (e) One Academic Staff not below the rank of Senior Lecturer to be
2 selected from each of the Department of the School;

3 (f) A representative of the Director, Nursing Service in the Secretariat;

4 (g) The School Librarian; and

5 (i) The Registrar who shall be the Secretary of the Board.

6 29. Subject to the overall control and direction of the council, the
7 Academic Board of each school of the College shall perform the following
8 functions:

9 (1) Regulating and organizing the process of admission, conduct of
10 Examinations, award of Certificates and all formalities relating to the
11 registration and licensing of graduates.

12 (2) Making recommendation to the council on appointment of
13 Academic Staff of the School and on the organization of Department, Libraries
14 and other Units of learning and Research in the School.

15 (3) Making guidelines for the purpose of exercising any of the
16 functions conferred on it under the provisions of this section.

17 (4) Preparing curriculum for the school in line with guidelines from
18 the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria and or other regulatory bodies.

19 (5) Performing such other functions that may be assigned to it by the
20 Council.

21 PART VII - SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

22 30. The supplementary provisions contained in the schedule shall
23 have effect in relation to the proceeding of the various bodies appointed under
24 the provision of this Act.

25 31. In the absence of the Council and until it is constituted for the
26 College, the functions and powers of the Council under this Act may be
27 Exercise by the Secretary of health in consultation with the Director of Nursing
28 Services in the Secretariat.

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PART VIII - PROPERTY AND FINANCE

32. The Government of Kebbi State may, by order transfer any property whether movable or immovable to the College and from the date of such order, any property so transferred shall vest in the College and shall be used for the purpose of the College.

Transfer of
Property

33. The Council may, subject to the provision of this Act:

Property of the
College

(a) Acquire and hold such movable or immovable property as may be necessary or expedient for carrying into effect the provisions of this Act;

(b) Invest the funds of the College in such manner and to such extent as it may deem necessary or expedient; and

(c) Enter into contractual agreement on behalf of the College;

34.-(1) the Council shall have power to approve expenditure of over N100,000.00 but not exceeding N1,000,000.00 per unit transaction for the procurement of the goods, works and services and shall refer procurements exceeding the amount to the secretary of Health.

Expenditure of
the College

(2) The Provost shall approve procurement of works, goods and services not exceeding N100,000.00.

(3) The threshold mentioned in this section may be adjusted, in the case of:

(a) Subsection (1), by the Secretary of Health; and

(b) Subsection (2), by the Council.

35. The revenue of the College shall include:

Revenue of the
College

(a) Revenue from time to time accruing to the College by way of Government grant, subvention or endowment or other forms of grant-in aid;

(b) Fees charges by and payable in respect of Students;

(c) Any other amounts charges or dues recoverable by the College;

(d) Receipts for publications or services;

(e) Interest on investments;

(f) Donations and Legacies.

Annual Estimate 1 36. Before the end of each financial year or at such other time as may

2 be required by the Council the Director, Finance and Administration or the
3 Provost shall present for Council estimate of revenue and expenditure for the
4 financial year and the accepted estimates shall be presented to the
5 Secretary Health and Human Services Secretary who shall cause same to be
6 placed before the Commissioner for approval;

Statement of Account 7 37. (1) the College shall prepare in respect of each financial year a
8 statement of account in such form as may be approved by the Secretary of
9 Health and the said annual statement of account shall be a fair and accurate
10 statement of the financial position of the College for the financial year to which
11 it relates.

Account Audit 12 (2) The said annual statement of accounts shall be audited by the
13 Auditor-General of the Federation or by such competent auditor appointed by
14 him.

15 (3) The said audited statement of accounts, after verification by the
16 Council shall together with the auditor's report is forwarded to the secretary of
17 Health who shall cause the same to be placed before the Minister.

Interpretation 18 38. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires:
19 "Academic Board" means the Academic Board established under this Act;
20 "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Governing Council of the College or
21 where the context requires Chairman of the respective Committees established
22 under this Act;
23 "College" means the Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery, Kebbi State;
24 "Council" means the governing council established under section 4(1) of this
25 Act for the College;
26 "Executive Committee" means the Kebbi State Executive Committee;
27 "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of the Kebbi State;
28 "Junior staff" is a reference to staff on CONHESS 01-05 or salary Grade levels
29 01-06;

1 "Members" means members of the council and includes the chairman of the

2 Council;

3 "Provost" means the provost of the College;

4 "Regulations" means any regulation formulated for the College by the
5 council;

6 "Secretariat" means Health and Human Services Secretariat of Kebbi State;

7 "Secretary" means the Secretary to the council of the College and other-wise
8 means the Secretary of any Committees established under this Act;

9 "Secretary of Health" means the Secretary of Health and Human Services or
10 such other official as may be from time to time designation as head of the
11 body responsible for Health service under Kebbi State;

12 "Senior staff" is a reference to staff on CONHESS 06-16 or salary Grade
13 Levels 07-17.

14 39. This Bill may be cited as the Federal College of Nursing and Citation
15 Midwifery, Kebbi State (Establishment) Bill, 2021.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to provide for the establishment of the Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery, Kebbi State and to provide training and research in general Nursing, Midwifery and other specialties of Nursing.

