

COMMITTED SOUL WOMEN HEALTH ADVOCACY AFRICA INITIATIVE (COSWOHI)

Organization Profile

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WHO ARE WE?

We are a female sexled organization established to increase access of vulnerable women and girls to humanrights, Sexual and Reproductive Health health Services/HIV programming, legal services, advocacy, economic strengthening, gender programming and Malaria control

programming in Africa.



Brief HISTORY

Committed Soul Women Health Advocacy Africa Initiative (COSWOHI) was founded in 2016 by Passionate female sex workers in Oyo states who decided to take a stand against the injustices served in brothels. They gathered their peers, developed capacity, and began advocating for vulnerable women and girls to have access to human services. It was formally registered with the Oyo State Overnment (OVSC) Nices in 22. Government (OYSG) Nigeria in 2017to **registered** to contribute to the increase in access to human rights and sexual reproductive health services of vulnerable women and girls in Nigeria through service delivery, public education, advocacy, and stakeholders' engagement. Among other things, to contribute to the national reduction of HIV/AIDS prevalence among the key population (KPs), state and national levels in order to advocate and provide access to HIV/STI prevention services and information to the infected and affected most at risk population (MARPs); to document human rights violations and to support victims with free paralegal and legal services on cases in Nigeria; irrespective of age, sex, gender, social strata, physical (dis)ability or sexual orientation; through advocacy, public education and stakeholders' engagement.

Over the years, we have increased our influence to service Female sex workers in Oyo State, Osun State and Kwara State Nigeria.



VISION

To see a Nigeria where vulnerable and disadvantaged women have access to human rights and healthcare services without bias.

MISSION

To promote healthcare and development of vulnerable women in Nigeria through public education, advocacy, direct service delivery and stakeholders' engagement.



GOAL

The goal is to reduce health prevalence, gender equality, discrimination, and to facilitate economic empowerment in all diversities.



OBJECTIVES

- **1.**To increase awareness on the human rights and sexual reproductive health of vulnerable women and girl child.
- **2.**To provide a safe environment where vulnerable Women and girls can come to access sexual reproductivehealth and human rights information and services.
- **3.**To build alliances with diverse sectors and stakeholders to promote the human rights and sexual reproductive health of vulnerable women and girls.
- **4.** To increase awareness and prevention on malaria epidemic among vulnerable women in all their diversity.
- **5.** To promote gender equality and economic opportunities

OUR CORE VALUES

- 1. Integrity
- 2. Accountability
- 3. Team work
- 4. Confidentiality



KEYPRIORITIES

- **1.** Contribute to the reduction of human rights abuses and violation as well as promote the human rights of women and girls.
- 2. Increase representation of vulnerable women and girls in the society and issues that concerns them.
- **3.** Improve the sexual reproductive health of vulnerable women and girls

OUR STRATEGIES

- 1. To build capacity and sensitization of keypopulation women and girls through inter personal communication, peer education and outreaches.
- ∠. To provide sexual nealth information and services through capacity building and awareness programs.
- **3.** To provide human rights information and services through capacity building and awareness programs.
- awareness programs.4. Media engagement/training to reduce wrong representation of facts.
- **5.** To refer victimized women and girls for counselling sessions and psychosocial supports.
- 6. Stakeholders' engagement.



ACTIVITIES

- **1.** Training and advocacy meetings with the sexual minorities (women and girls).
- 2. Development and free distribution of Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials on HIV/STIs and Human rights.
- **3.** Human rights awareness to the public on women and girls' rights.
- **4.** Media and human rights violations monitoring and documentation.
- **5.** Acquisition and free distribution of male and female condoms and lubricants, as a preventive measure for HIV/STIs.
- **6.** Free and regular HIV/STIs awareness and prevention services to women and girls and the general public.
- 7. Free paralegal services

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OUR SERVICES

The following services are free for all female sex workers:

Health Care Services

- Emergency Safe shelter
- Capacity Building strengthening
- *Free distribution of IEC materials
- Free lubricant and condom distribution
- Counselling and psychological support
- Free HIV test
- Human Right services



ADVOCACY AFRICA INITIATIVE (COSWOHI)







NUMBER OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Five (5)

NUMBER OF STAFF: One hundred and thirthy (130)

NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS: Twenty (20)

PARTNERS

















