

THE AFRICAN BUSINESS COALITION FOR HEALTH

News Update

Note from the CEO



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Greetings and welcome to another edition of our Coalition's news update. The past few weeks have been interesting for us as we continue to gear toward improving our continent's healthcare sector even in the face of current challenges, one of which the World Health Organisation (WHO) declared monkeypox a public health emergency; and the Marburg Virus's surge, not to mention many more countries missing major health milestones.

Notwithstanding, there has been some positive news too. Ranging from the World Bank's USD100m extended support to the African Center for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) for enhancing the agency's technical capacity and strengthening its institutional framework in order to intensify support to African countries in preparing for, detecting, and responding to disease outbreaks and public health emergencies; Botswana's achievement of the United Nation's goal against HIV/AIDS, given its 95-98-98 score, to the design of a 'smart' bra in Nigeria that can help to detect breast cancer.

While these plethora of events subsist within our continent, some old chapters are bound to close, and new ones, freshly open as we bid goodbye to the illustrious Dr. Vera Songwe who announced her departure from the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), indeed, a committed partner of our Coalition and a force for good, working to create the Africa that we want.

As Africa and the rest of the world await her successor, we look forward to continuous times of impact where the partnership between ABCHealth and UNECA solidifies to deliver an African continent without frail Health systems, as we jointly collaborate with governments and other key stakeholders for improved health outcomes.

Health News

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[Aliko Dangote heads anti-malaria team](#)

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[AfDB commits USD120m to be invested in Africa's healthcare](#)

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[Africa's low test rate of WHO-designated priority pathogens](#)

Business Unusual in Africa's Healthcare Landscape



Africa holds 11% of the world's population and carries 24% of the global disease burden, and yet accounts for about 3% of medicines produced, commanding less than 1% of global health expenditure. Today, it has been proven that it possesses little to show in terms of critical action from key stakeholders. This has led sector experts to call for greater involvement of the continent's private sector.

Today, businesses and corporates are paying increasing attention to the healthcare space, beyond the social good, as a result of the sheer economic sense. Compelling economics reveals that a healthy workforce equals positive productivity, and a healthy population equals sustainable economic growth.

The scale of resources that the African private sector can mobilize towards health impact investments is gradually gaining more attention because of its potential to unlock bigger opportunities and value in the continent's health space. Aligned to it is the critical need to connect more investors to health investment opportunities as well as the need for national governments to foster enabling climates for health investments.

With a focus on fostering investment opportunities in health, improving access to health funding and financing, advocating for policy coherency and a good regulatory environment, as well as nurturing innovation through strategic initiatives, and driving partnerships between the public and private sectors on the one hand and within the business community or private sector players, on the other hand, African Business Coalition for Health (ABCHealth) is positioned as the private-sector led platform to make all of these happen – a safe space for business discussions on improving health outcomes in Africa. Join us today to build a healthier Africa!



Overcoming Cost of Healthcare Through Partnerships

Players are adapting to the evolving healthcare landscape by using a range of partnership models to create value.



Emerging Trends in Healthcare Financing: What to Know

Staying ahead in the healthcare industry means being on top of healthcare trends, especially in view of the current disruptions.



The Economic Burden of NCDs on Africa

There is an urgent economic imperative for investment in tackling NCDs in Africa; the cost of inaction is grave.

The Africa Telehealth Conference & Exhibition

AFRICA Telehealth Conference
Establish Strategy & Partnerships

The Africa Telehealth Conference & Exhibition, being organized in partnership with Egypt's General Authority for Healthcare Accreditation and Regulation (GAHAR), is all about sharing ideas, experiences, and solutions around developing sustainable telehealth and digital healthcare across the African continent. It will also examine how the regulatory environment can work with investors to maximize the benefits for patients by giving them access to healthcare in a diverse range of settings.

ATCE 2022 will take place on November 14-15 at the InterContinental Citystars in Cairo, Egypt. Click [here](#) to register; you can also visit the [website](#) to know more.

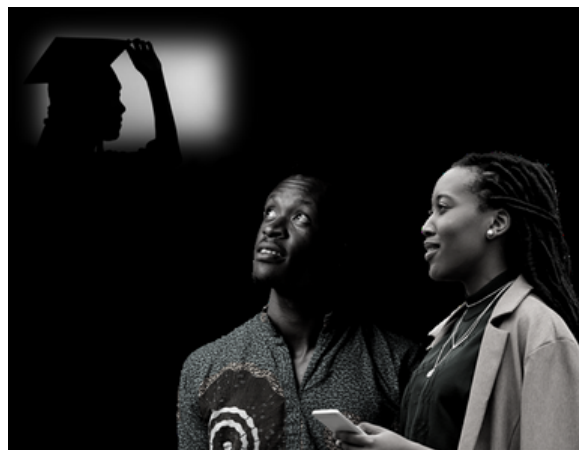
Academy for Health Entrepreneurs (Africa)

The Academy for Health Entrepreneurs (Africa) - AHEA - is a series of masterclasses across Africa's key healthcare markets and is created by global health and health investment experts to drive innovation and growth.

AHEA will support African entrepreneurs to create strong value propositions and compelling pitches to health-focused investors with the purpose of accessing funding and scaling investments that will strengthen Africa's position as a leading manufacturer of health commodities.

Africa imports up to 90% of essential health commodities; an anomaly for a continent that bears 25% of the global disease burden. Africa's local manufacturing capacity of medicines and health equipment must be developed and AHEA is set to make this happen.

The academy brings together subject matter experts (SMEs), business leaders and senior investment managers with health entrepreneurs to engage on how to build as



well as to present successful investment pitches to interested investors; also creating an opportunity to sensitize and create the right level of awareness to investors (global and regional) to foster their interest and consider health in Africa as a lucrative area of investment.

AHEA will run sub-regionally across sub-Saharan Africa and will continue until a sense of measured results are achieved.

To know more and to participate, please reach out to Bernard Abang on +234 815 674 4964 / babang@abchealth.com



Join the Coalition and Fix Africa's Health

The African Business Coalition for Health is a not-for-profit established to bring together businesses, philanthropists and development institutions that will collectively seek greater private sector contributions to improve health outcomes and save lives in Africa.

Our founders - Aliko Dangote and Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede - share a vision of a healthy and prosperous Africa; a vision that can be achieved through the coalition that ABCHealth is building across the continent that enables responsible business leaders and philanthropists to make sustainable, large scale investments in health that transform African economies and people. You too can take action - join the Coalition today and let us work together to fix Africa's health.

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