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In 2024, the Lagos government issued an Executive Order to mandate compulsory health insurance for all residents of the state, domesticating the National Health Insurance Authority Act of 2022.1212 The Ministry of Health of the aforementioned state indicated that a first phase of the healthcare plan would be focused on the formal sector; a second phase, on the informal sector; and a third phase, on 'other population groups'.1213

In an effort to increase healthcare capacity in the Federal Capital Territory Minister announced the hiring of 34 resident doctors from a total of 60 that are expected to cover different areas including internal medicine, surgery, anaesthesiology, ophthalmology, obstetrics, and gynaecology.1214 In several Abuja's poorest communities, service providers provide family planning contraceptives.1215 No additional information on this topic, specifically regarding Abuja and relevant for the reference period of this report, could be found among all source consulted.

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