

### Regional and/or National Hospital Medical Superintendent Provides Tertiary Care

#### District Health Services (DHS)

District Health Management Team (DHMT)
Headed by District Medical Officer (DMO)
Planning, Implementation, Coordination, Monitoring &
Evaluation of DHS

# District Hospitals for Secondary Health Facility & Primary Health Care & Technical Support to PHUs

District Level: Population about 500,000
Staffed by District Hospital Medical Officer
Provides back-stopping for Phus
Provide outpatient services for referred cases from Phus and population living in immediate environs, inpatient and diagnostic services, management of accidents and emergencies, safe blood transfusion services, X-Ray machine, ultrasound

#### Peripheral Health Units (PHUs): Community Health Centers

Chiefdom Level: Populations from 10,000 to 20,000
Staffed by Community Health Officer (CHO), SECHN, MCH Aides, Epidemiological Disease Control & Environmental Health Assistant
Provide services at CHP level and environmental sanitation and supervise the CHPS & MCHPS within Chiefdom

#### Peripheral Health Units (PHUs): Community Health Posts (CHPs) Small Town Level: Population between 5000 & 10, 000

Staffed by State Enrolled Community Health Nurses (SECHNS) and MCH Aides)
Provide services of MCHPs and prevention and control of communicable diseases and rehabilitation; & refer complicated cases to CHCS

## Peripheral Health Units (PHUs): Maternal and Child Health Posts (MCHPs)

Village Level: Populations < 5,000.

Staffed by MCH Aides, Supported by Community Health Workers (TBAs, Community Volunteers, etc)
Provide antenatal care, supervised deliveries, postnatal care, FP, growth monitoring & promotion for <5 children, immunization, health education management of minor ailments, referrals)

FIGURE 1

Sierra Leone Levels of Health Care Services Description (This figure is published in African and Asian Studies, 14 (2015), pp. 54-55, in McGough, F.M., "Locating the Informal in the Formal? Traditional Birth Attendants and the Free Health Care Initiative in Post War Sierra Leone")

SOURCE: GOVERNMENT OF SIERRA LEONE. 2010. BASIC PACKAGE OF ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR SIERRA LEONE. SIERRA LEONE.