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WHERE WE WORK

FREETOWN WESTERN AREA
1 hospital Princess Christian Maternity Hospital - Freetown
10 health centres
1,573,109 population served

PORT LOKO DISTRICT
1 hospital St. John of God Hospital - Lunsar
24 health centres
140,970 population served

BOMBALI DISTRICT
1 hospital Makeni
636,000 population served

BO DISTRICT
1 hospital Bo
5 health centres
603,716 population served

PUJEHUN DISTRICT
1 hospital Pujehun CMI
5 health centres
384,864 population served

RESULTS ACHIEVED

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH
43,861 parental visits
5,293 transfers for obstetric emergencies
29,580 births attended
20,521 visits of children under 5 years of age

NUTRITION
430 children treated for severe acute malnutrition

INFECTIOUS DISEASES
39,443 patients treated for malaria
23,901 Children under 5 years of age treated for acute respiratory infection
4,779 respiratory infections treated by community agents

ONGOING TRAINING
1,025 community agents
105 nurses and doctors midwives
26 doctors

CHRONIC DISEASES
2,125 tests for gestational diabetes
111 pregnant women identified with gestational diabetes
450 pregnant women diagnosed with hypertension during pregnancy