Nigeria has a population of 177 million. The country is among the highest tuberculosis (TB) burden countries in the world with 570,000 of new TB cases each year as well as one of the top 10 highest multidrug-resistant (MDR-TB) countries globally. As one of Nigeria’s major partners, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) programs approximately $13.5 million for TB annually to support the National TB Program’s strategic plan.

Number of notified TB patients in 2014: 86,464

Estimated MDR-TB cases: 21,000

* Estimates of MDR-TB cases are provisional, pending a review of methods by a WHO Task Force scheduled for April 2016 and subsequent review of estimates by national TB programs in July 2016.

Laboratory Capacity and Detection of MDR-TB

The number of patients screened increased dramatically between 2013 and 2014 to reach 24,225. In the same period, GeneXpert sites increased rapidly to 96.

MDR-TB Detection and Enrollment on Treatment

Although the MDR-TB detection and enrollment has steadily grown each year between 2009 and 2014, the number of patients enrolled is still well behind the estimated 21,000 MDR-TB cases.

MDR-TB Treatment Success Rate

The MDR-TB treatment success rate has remained steady at 62 percent between 2010 and 2012. In the same period, the percent of patient death decreased by almost half.

* 2012 data are the latest available for treatment success due to length of treatment.