



PVAC- Empower Pharma Academy Video

Empower Academy Nigeria for Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Training

Transforming Nigeria's Future through Local Pharmaceuticals Manufacturing

Empowering Youth

Creating Jobs

Building Pandemic Resilience



About the Initiative

Empower School of Health, Geneva, in strategic partnership with the **Presidential Initiative to Unlock the Healthcare Value Chain (PVAC)**, is co-developing a first of its kind, series of best-in-class training centres for pharmaceutical training in Nigeria. This transformative initiative is designed to address the critical need for skilled professionals in Nigeria's pharmaceutical and vaccine manufacturing sectors, and to support the country's broader health security and self-reliance goals.



Why this matters — A National and Continental Priority

Nigeria imports 60% to 70% of its pharmaceuticals and nearly 100% of its vaccines. This over-dependence threatens health security, increases costs, and limits access. **In alignment with the Africa CDC and African Union's vision for local production by 2030**, this academy is a cornerstone to:

- Reduce dependency on imports
- Boost local drug and vaccine production
- Create thousands of skilled, high-value jobs
- Reverse brain drains through career pathways in Nigeria
- Bridge the gap between education and industry



National and regional hubs delivering "5T's"

A series of **state-of-the-art training centres** will provide the 5T's to build capacity in the pharmaceutical sector, training 2,000–3,000 professionals annually while promoting youth leadership and gender equality:

- Training
- Turnkey support
- Tech Transfer
- Technical Assistance
- Troubleshooting



Our partners (industry, government and academia)

This initiative will be co-developed with:

- The Presidential Initiative for Unlocking the Healthcare Value Chain (PVAC)
- Ministries of Health, Industry, Finance & Education
- National regulators (NAFDAC, PCN and others)
- Pharma industry bodies (PMG-MAN and others)
- UN agencies (UNITAR, WHO, UNECA), WAHO, Africa CDC and others
- Private donors and technical experts from Nigerian diaspora



Phases

Phase 1: development of a digital learning platform, a modernized training unit, one Mobile-POD Training Centre (MTC), and one Comprehensive Training Centre (CTC).

Phase 2: expand to 2 CTCs, 6 MTCs, and 13 Digital Training Centres (DTCs).



Planned locations

The Comprehensive Training Centers (CTCs) will be strategically located in three key geographic hubs (southwest, southeast & northwest) of Nigeria.

The Mobile-POD Training Centers and Digital Training Centers will be distributed across all six regions of the country, including the Federal Capital Territory, ensuring nationwide coverage and outreach.



The Impact

- Youth empowerment
- Economic growth
- Improved access to medicines, and
- National self-reliance
- Pandemic response readiness



Outcomes

- Help meet Nigeria's goal to produce 70% of its pharmaceuticals and 60% of its vaccines locally
- Generate over 5,000 new jobs directly and indirectly over 5 years
- Upskill thousands of professionals across Nigeria and West Africa
- **Build a pipeline of globally certified pharmaceutical talent for local manufacturing**

Join us in this National Mission

Whether you're in government, donor agencies, academia, or the private sector, your partnership can drive impact—for Nigeria, for Africa, and for global health.

Let's build a resilient and self sustainable pharmaceutical ecosystem—together.

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