Community Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM)

In 2016 the community management of acute malnutrition (CMAM) program operated across 57 local government areas (LGAs) at 399 sites in Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe states (see Map 1). A total of 169,874 children, 43 per cent of the 398,188 targeted children with severe acute malnutrition (SAM), were admitted to therapeutic feeding programs.* The performance indicators show an 86 per cent cure rate, 10 per cent defaulter rate and one per cent death rate which are within minimum Sphere standards. However, there are significant differences in the performance of the program when data is disaggregated by LGA and CMAM sites.

CMAM new admissions increased during the first three quarters as the emergency response was scaled up. The small reduction in the fourth quarter is mainly due to seasonal affects (see Chart 1).

Borno state had 91,595 new admissions of which 27% were in Maiduguri and Jere LGAs alone, probably due to the high population including Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) living in those LGAs.

The CMAM program in Adamawa state was interrupted in July and August 2016 by a health workers strike, which contributed to the low admission rate in the state.

Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF)

In 2016, 282,290 pregnant women and women with children under two years old were reached with Infant and Young Child (IYCF) counselling in 38 LGAs across the three states.* This was only 44 per cent of the 637,952 target for the year and more support is required for the IYCF program to address the need.

Multiple Micronutrient Deficiency Control (MNDC)

In 2016, 161,723 children aged 6-23 months were provided with micronutrient powder in 47 LGAs across the three states. This is 64 per cent of the 253,130 target for the year but only 20 per cent of the estimated overall need of 797,441 children.* There is a significant gap between funding resources and the requirements for a scale up to reach all the children in the emergency states.

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*Some of the statistics in this document will be increased when final partner interventions are reported.