



# supporting community health

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**C**hevron's social investments and partnerships support people and prosperity to strengthen the communities where we operate. Social investments that target HIV/AIDS prevention and sickle cell disease programs in Nigeria (NMA) and Angola (SASBU) have proven to be very impactful.

In 2011, Chevron SASBU, along with the Angola Ministry of Health, Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital formed the Angola Sickle Cell Initiative (ASCI). ASCI provides sickle cell screening, diagnosis and treatment for children with the disease. ASCI has also expanded community mobilization efforts, provisions for research and health professional training. Sickle cell management centers were also established within local hospitals to provide treatment and prevention services for existing sickle cell patients. To date, more than 5,000 Angolan health workers have received specialized training, and nearly 500,000 newborns in Luanda and Cabinda have been screened for sickle cell.

In Nigeria, the NNPC/Chevron Joint Venture has greatly contributed to health access for those in need of a sickle cell cure by presenting the Sickle Cell Foundation Nigeria with a flow cytometer. The flow cytometer is essentially a machine used to detect sickle cells by measuring cell characteristics and identifying the type of cells in a

blood or bone marrow sample. It is a vital tool in the overall process of a stem cell or bone marrow transplant, which is the only cure for sickle cell disease.

Additionally, Chevron supports Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission programs in both Angola and Nigeria where Chevron clinicians educate employees about HIV/AIDS testing, treatment, stigma, and comprehensive medical care for employees and their qualified dependents. The program's success lies in the results – there have been zero reports of new infections in the last 15 years.

Watch the short video to hear from Dr. Ana Ruth Luis, Regional Public Health and Special Projects Manager at SASBU, Angola and Dr. Annette Akinsete, National Director & CEO of Sickle Cell Foundation Nigeria on their experiences with managing HIV/AIDS prevention and sickle cell efforts in their regions.

