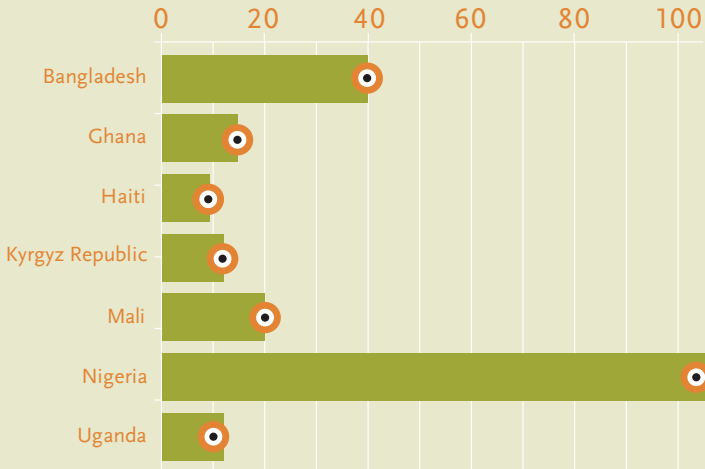




The SPRING project continued to expand its reach and contribute to the global nutrition knowledge base in project year 4.

EXPANDING PRESENCE

SPRING continues to expand its global reach and scale of country programs.



Sub-national geographic units reached. In all SPRING-supported countries, the project met or exceeded its year four targets for sub-national geographic coverage.

REACHING PEOPLE

SPRING is working with ministries of health and agriculture, health professionals, students, and community members to improve nutrition practices in seven countries.



SPRING is building local capacity to improve health outcomes through a range of nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive practices.

GROWING THE EVIDENCE

63 informational products and success stories

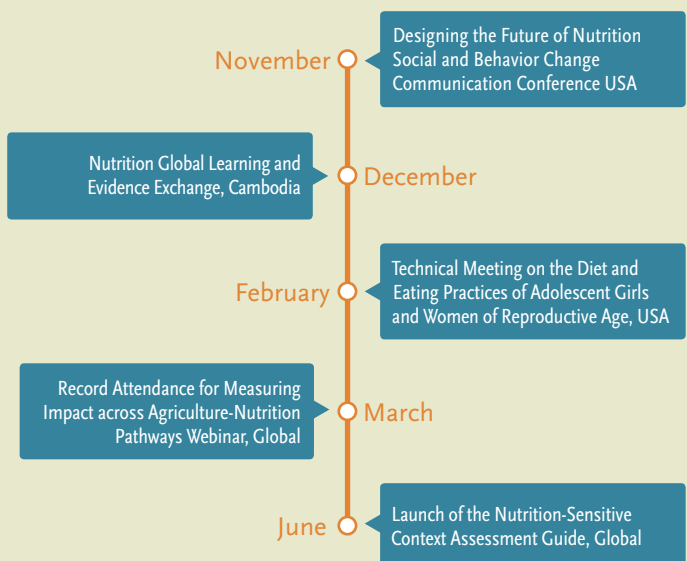
10 sets of training materials

19 events

30 briefs and reports

EXERTING INFLUENCE

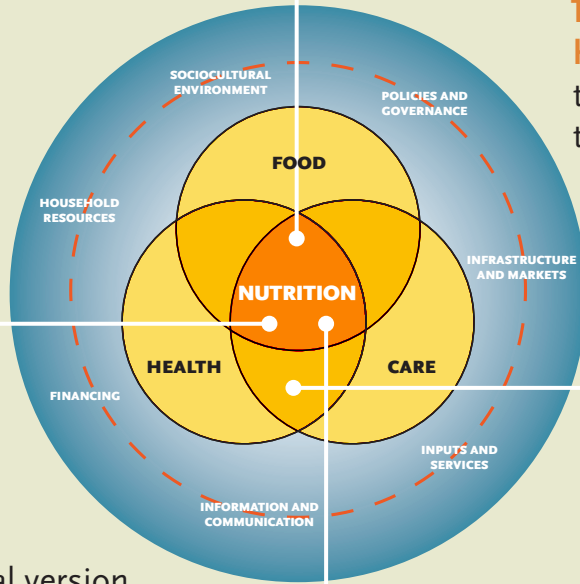
The five highlights below are a selection of many events and network engagement that showcased the project's global leadership in agriculture and nutrition.





SPRING IS WORKING TO STRENGTHEN THE NUTRITION SYSTEM IN BANGLADESH

Established **1,280 new Farmer Nutrition Schools**, reaching **24,028 women** with household agriculture, hygiene, nutrition, and infant and young child feeding training

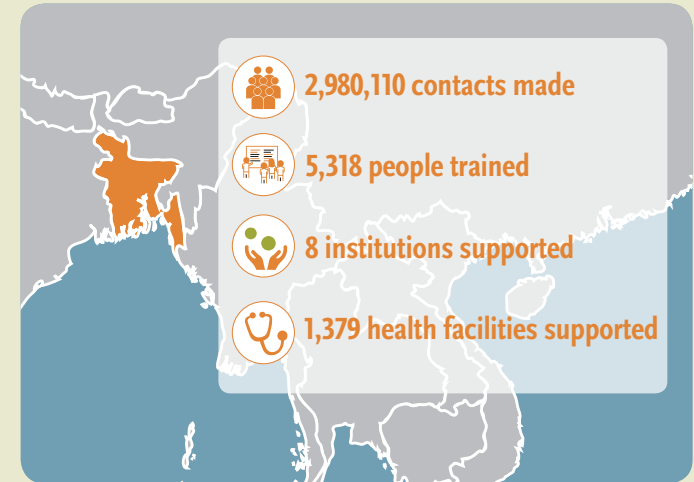


Trained **3,275 frontline health workers** and **1,058 supervisory-level health workers** on the national nutrition training curriculum

Worked with the local version of **Sesame Street, Sisimpur**, to produce hygiene and nutrition videos to reach children of primary age and people outside of SPRING's geographic program areas

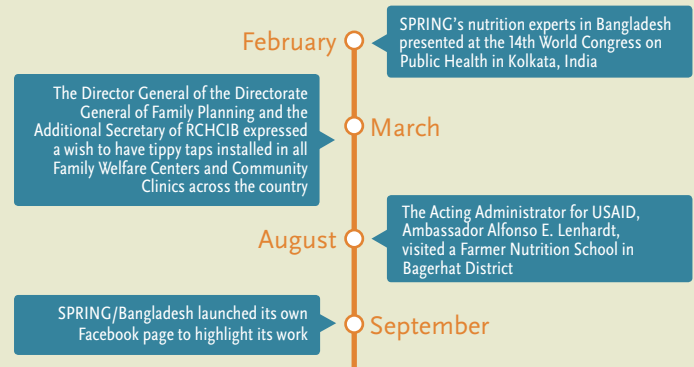
Provided refresher training to **868 agricultural extension workers** to ensure that frontline workers of the Ministry of Agriculture are able to deliver messages on nutrition and hygiene through their ongoing work

REACHING PEOPLE



SPRING is reaching women and children under two in Bangladesh through the training of health workers and agriculture extension officers, and through farmer nutrition schools.

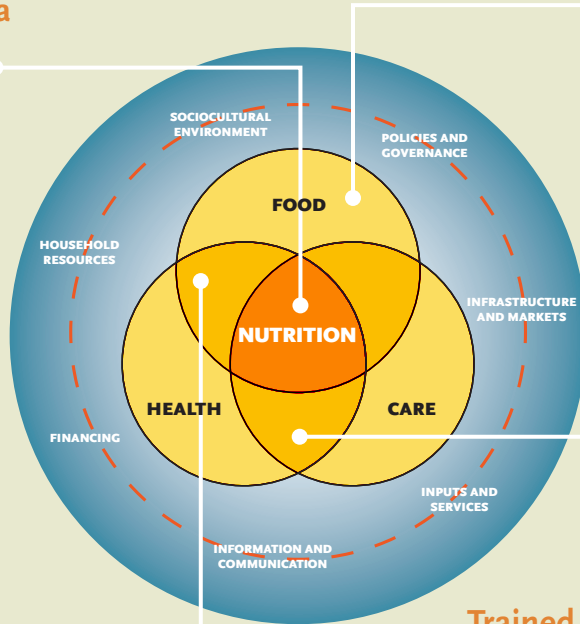
EXERTING INFLUENCE: HIGHLIGHTS





SPRING IS WORKING TO STRENGTHEN THE NUTRITION SYSTEM IN GHANA

Developed mass media materials promoting the project's 1,000 days household approach, including a 6-episode radio series on WASH, a 3-minute radio drama on the prevention of aflatoxin contamination, and 6 short mobile-friendly infant and young child feeding videos

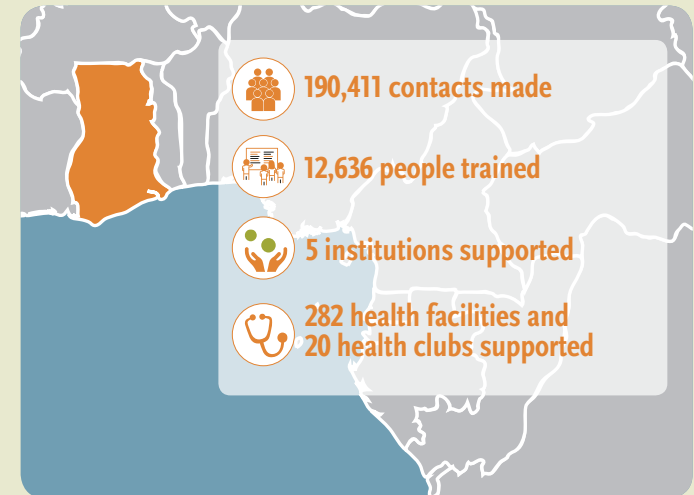


Developed pre-harvest management training materials and trained 6,843 individuals in reducing aflatoxin contamination and consumption in groundnuts through the farmer field school methodology

Initiated the "WASH 1,000" concept to promote key hygiene behaviors, and then trained 2,923 members of the community and government on WASH behaviors, who then integrated those behaviors into community-led total sanitation activities

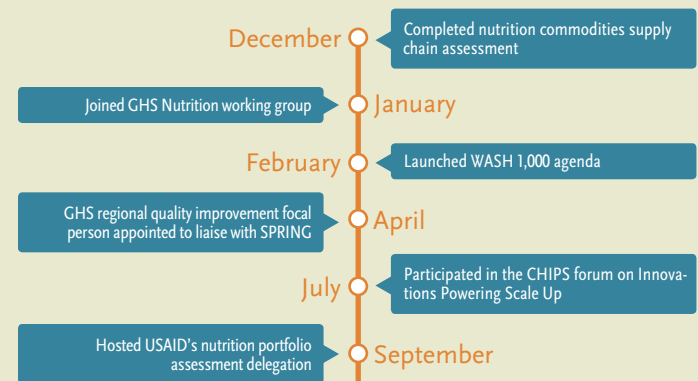
Trained 1,105 health workers in IYCF, created a community-level curriculum to supplement existing IYCF training materials and strengthened health systems by procuring nutritional commodities and providing supply chain training to 636 government staff members

REACHING PEOPLE



Through its 1,000 Day Household agenda, SPRING/Ghana is working with community members, health workers and students to reduce stunting in the northern region of the country.

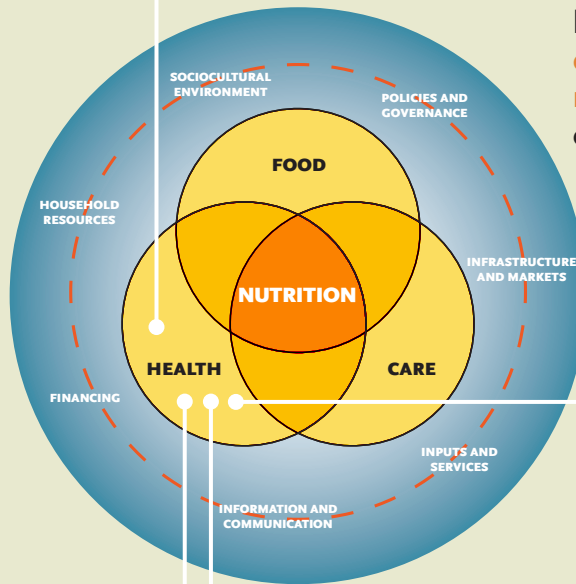
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SPRING IS WORKING TO STRENGTHEN THE NUTRITION SYSTEM IN HAITI

Fifteen health facilities received items purchased from the SPRING/Haiti Quality Improvement Fund, to help enhance the **quality of nutrition services** through low-cost feasible solutions



Held two group education technique trainings for 58 pediatric and prenatal health workers to **build capacity to deliver nutrition messages** to clients in a group setting

Obtained MOH validation and distributed **100 copies of the NACS training package** including the Protocol, Reference Manual, Trainers and Participants guides, and CD containing training package

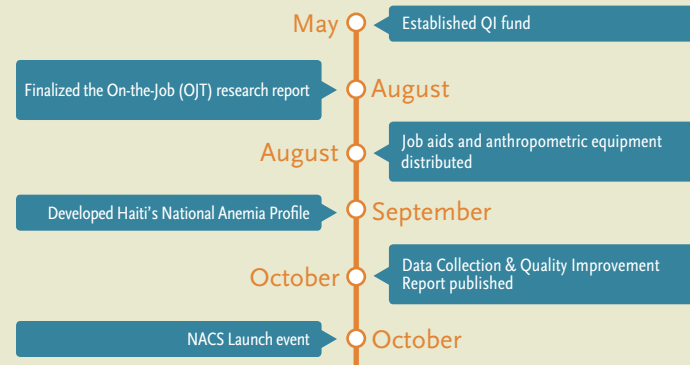
Trained 260 health workers in **Nutrition Assessment, Counseling, and Support (NACS)** in 17 health facilities across 9 departments

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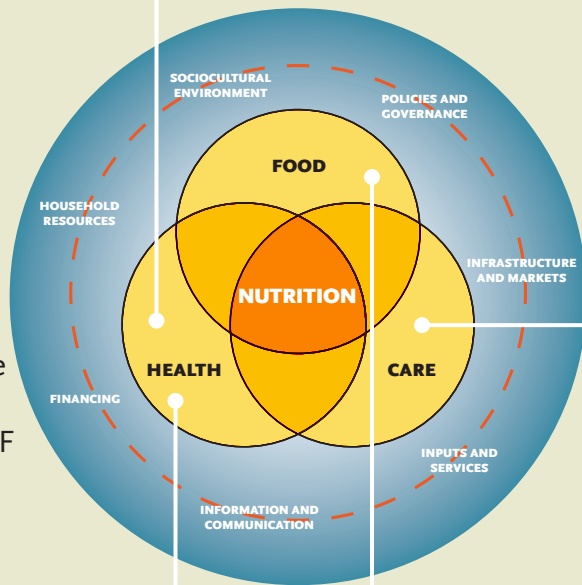
SPRING/Haiti focuses on strengthening Nutrition Assessment, Counseling, and Support (NACS) in 17 health facilities across nine departments throughout the country.

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SPRING IS WORKING TO STRENGTHEN THE NUTRITION SYSTEM IN KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

Provided training in infant and young child feeding (IYCF) to 909 health workers who then counseled more than 12,500 mothers of children under two on nutrition and health care; trained 478 recipients of the IYCF training in 104 facilities on supportive supervision to ensure ongoing quality of IYCF counseling



Engaged more than 2,400 community activists to take messages about exclusive breastfeeding and complementary feeding to more than 100,000 households in the SPRING zone of influence with children under two, reaching 21,032 people at home and 22,133 people through community meetings

Supported the national Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative and provided training to 225 providers across six health facilities

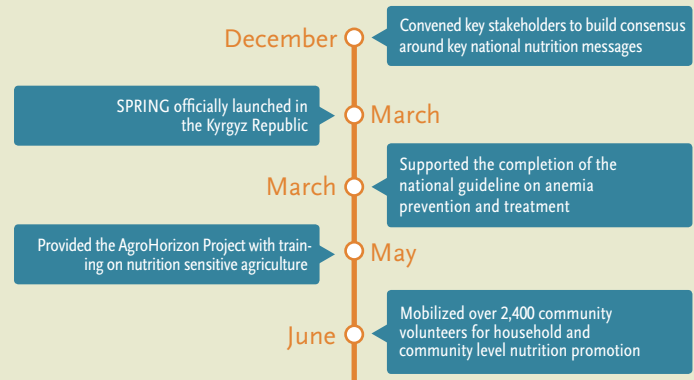
Conducted research to better understand household nutrition practices, accessibility of food throughout the year, and existing practices for food storage and preservation during the winter

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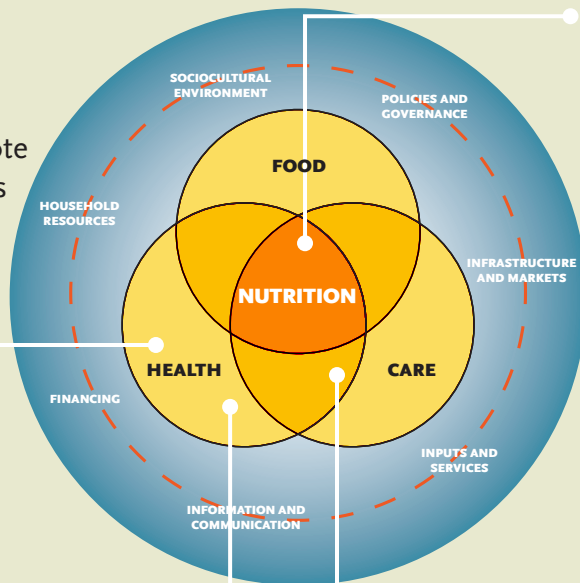
SPRING is training health providers in the Kyrgyz Republic through a pool of trained national and regional nutrition trainers, and reaching thousands of households with critical nutrition messages through a network of community activist volunteers.

EXERTING INFLUENCE: HIGHLIGHTS



SPRING IS WORKING TO STRENGTHEN THE NUTRITION SYSTEM IN MALI

Following facility-level ENA/EHA trainings, **conducted supportive supervision visits using tablet computers** that provide real time feedback to help promote improved staff practices and monitor the quality of nutritional services received by clients

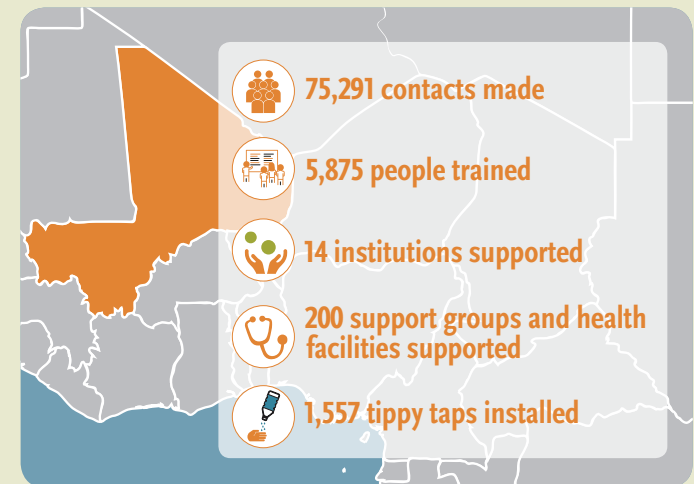


In collaboration with the regional government, **triggered community-led total sanitation in 15 villages and established 1,557 tippy taps** at the household level

Initiated training for **500 leaders in nutrition-sensitive agriculture** through 20 commune-level Farmer Nutrition Schools who in turn **trained an additional 5,000 farmers** to increase access to diverse and quality foods

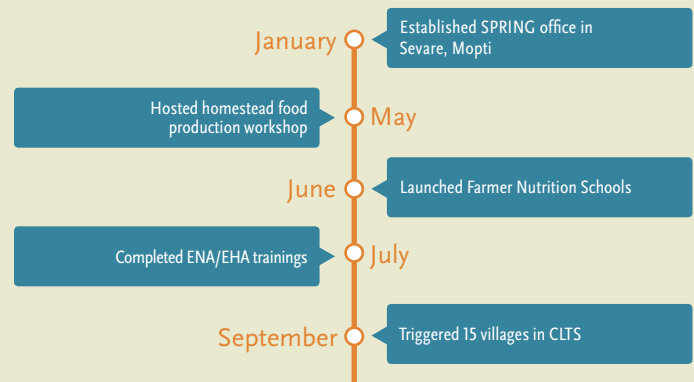
Completed **cascade trainings on the Essential Nutrition Actions and Essential Hygiene Actions (ENA/EHA)** for 375 facility-based health workers and community actors

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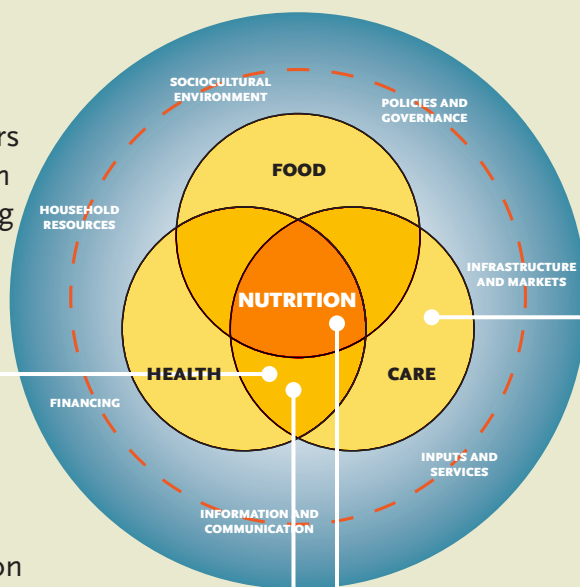
SPRING is working across 4 cercles, 20 communes, and 100 villages in Mali, reaching community leaders and health workers with nutrition-sensitive agriculture, ENA/EHA, and WASH interventions.

EXERTING INFLUENCE: HIGHLIGHTS



SPRING IS WORKING TO STRENGTHEN THE NUTRITION SYSTEM IN NIGERIA

Trained 74 health workers at primary health care centers on infant and young child feeding to better equip them to counsel pregnant mothers and caregivers of children under two in ideal feeding and care practices

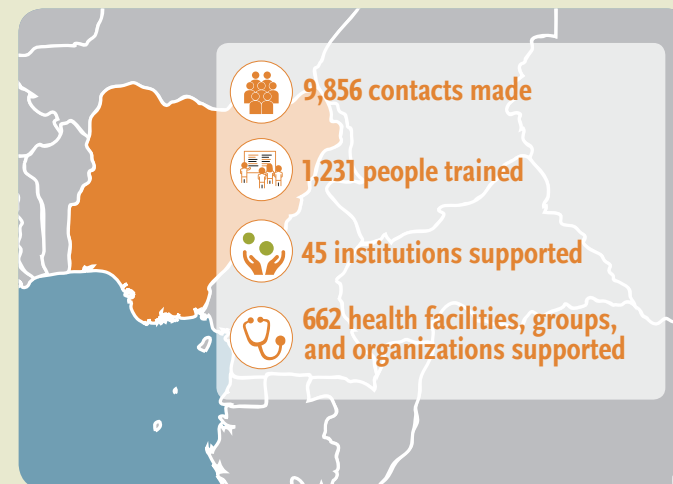


Convened 270 community member support groups of primarily infant and young child caregivers for monthly nutrition discussions facilitated by a SPRING-trained community volunteer in 102 LGAs

To ensure quality nutrition programming and service delivery, conducted 204 supportive supervision visits to reach health workers, support groups, communities, and civil society organizations helping vulnerable children across 104 LGAs in 13 states

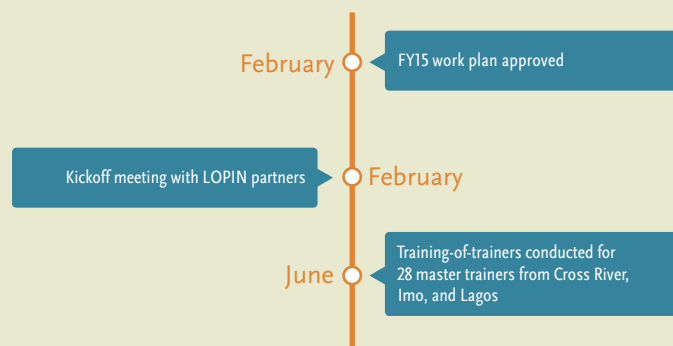
Led community mobilization activities and sensitized leaders in all 13 of its implementation states to increase understanding of proper nutrition

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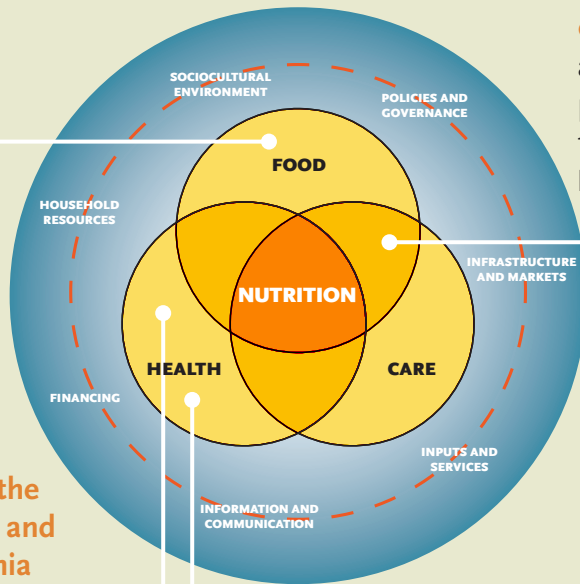
SPRING's interventions in Nigeria are reaching health workers, community members, and caregivers with quality nutrition counseling.

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SPRING IS WORKING TO STRENGTHEN THE NUTRITION SYSTEM IN UGANDA

Supported Uganda's National Working Group on Food Fortification to strengthen efforts to institutionalize a mandatory food fortification program in Uganda



Initiated the procurement of micronutrient powders and developed a research protocol for pilot testing their distribution in Namutumba District

Collaborated with the Ministry of Health and the National Anemia Working Group to develop a national anemia strategy aimed at streamlining anemia activities in Uganda

Provided nutrition assessment, counseling, and support (NACS) training to 189 health workers across 61 SPRING-supported health facilities and reached another 329 health workers through continuing medical education

REACHING PEOPLE



In Uganda, SPRING provides national-level technical support to the national government on food fortification and the prevention and control of anemia. We also deliver nutrition services across 10 districts in the Southwest and East Central regions of Uganda.

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