Profile of Muhammad Ali Pate CON

Coordinating Minister of Health and Social Welfare, Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Muhammad Ali Pate is the Coordinating Minister of Health and Social Welfare in Nigeria. He leads Nigeria's Health Sector Renewal Investment Initiative to improve the health of all Nigerians.

Until August 2023, he was the Julio Frenk Professor of Public Health Leadership at Harvard University's Chan School and Co-chair of the Future of Health and Economic Resilience in Africa (FHERA).

He served as the Global Director for Health, Nutrition, and Population for the World Bank Group from 2019 to 2021, where he led the health response to the COVID-19 pandemic. He also led Big Win Philanthropy from 2015 to 2018 and served as a visiting professor at Duke University's Global Health Institute from 2013 to 2015.

As Nigeria's Minister of State for Health (2011-2013), Dr. Pate made significant contributions to polio eradication, vaccine introduction, and primary healthcare through the Save One Million Lives initiative. He also served as the CEO of the National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) from 2008-2011.

He earned his MBBS degree from Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, and underwent postgraduate training at Howard University in Washington, D.C. Additionally, he holds a Master of Science in Health Systems Management from University College London and an MBA from Duke University.