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## BRIEF COMMUNICATION

### COVID-19 Pandemic Response: A Primary Care Experience in Northwest Nigeria

*Réponse à la Pandémie de Covid-19 : Une Expérience de Soins Primaires dans le Nord-Ouest du Nigeria*

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#### ABSTRACT

The effectiveness of healthcare systems during this COVID-19 pandemic will largely depend on their resilience in the face of untold challenges. Hence, we share the ongoing experience of the response of a primary care facility to challenges of the increasing number of undifferentiated patient load in the context of rising COVID-19 cases, infrastructural gap, limited personal protective equipment, and the health workforce in a densely populated town. **WAJM 2023; 40(5): 562–564.**

**Keywords:** COVID-19, Health system resilience, Outpatients, pandemic, Primary care.

#### RÉSUMÉ

L'efficacité des systèmes de soins de santé au cours de la pandémie de COVID-19 dépendra en grande partie de leur résistance face à des défis incalculables. Nous partageons donc l'expérience en cours de la réponse d'un établissement de soins primaires aux défis posés par le nombre croissant de patients indifférenciés dans le contexte de l'augmentation des cas de COVID-19, des lacunes infrastructurelles, de l'équipement de protection individuelle limité et du personnel de santé dans une ville densément peuplée. **WAJM 2023; 40(5): 562–564.**

**Mots-clés :** COVID-19, Résilience du système de santé, Patients ambulatoires, Pandémie, Soins primaires.

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