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Isaac Adewole is a professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the College of Medicine, University of Ibadan, Nigeria. He became the Honourable Minister of Health, Federal Ministry of Health, on November 11, 2015. He served as the 11th vice chancellor of the University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria (2010-2015) and is a past president of the African Organization for Research and Training in Cancer. A fellow of the Academy of Science of Nigeria since 2011, he was awarded an honorary doctorate of science in July 2015 from the University of Sunderland, United Kingdom for his outstanding academic achievements and worthy contributions to preventive medicine and cancer screening in Nigeria. Under his watch, the Federal Ministry of Health has developed one of the most ambitious health programs in Africa under the universal health coverage using primary healthcare as the fulcrum. The program aims to provide 10,000 functional primary healthcare facilities in Nigeria covering every political ward, which will provide access to basic essential healthcare to about 100 million Nigerians.