**CDC Growth and Evolution**

Onscreen graphic: Cameroonian and American flags with CDC logo.

Onscreen text: CDC. U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Voiceover by woman: In 2024, CDC celebrates the 20th anniversary of opening an office in Cameroon.

Onscreen video: a spinning globe rotates to a map of Africa and zooms in to focus on Cameroon.

Voiceover by woman continues: CDC Cameroon’s presence has evolved to include a team

of more than 30 experts

Onscreen video: overheard shots of downtown Yaounde and the National Laboratory of Public Health.

Voiceover by woman continues: providing technical assistance and support to the Government of the Republic of Cameroon to advance public health.

Onscreen video: people working in a lab and in front of laptops.

Spoken onscreen by Dr. Judith Shang, CDC Cameroon Associate Director of Clinical and Lab Services: CDC started off with building, first of all, laboratory capacity in country.

Onscreen text: Dr. Judith Shang. CDC Cameroon Associate Director of Clinical and Lab Services.

Voiceover by Dr. Judith Shang: What CDC has been doing is ensuring that if you receive your results and they say you have malaria, you actually have malaria.

Onscreen video: people sitting in a medical waiting room and interacting with medical providers.

Spoken onscreen by Dr. Judith Shang: So because sometimes it's not that obvious, so just ensuring the quality of the testing

Onscreen video: people working in a lab.

Voiceover by Dr. Judith Shang: and just making sure that people have not only affordable care, but quality care

Spoken onscreen by Judith Shang: and that you can trust. So CDC has done that for the country.

Spoken onscreen by Esther Lyonga, CDC Cameroon Quality Improvement Program Specialist: So 2001 April we moved to the physical space at the Army medical research center so we were there from 2001 in April

Onscreen text: Esther Lyonga. CDC Cameroon Quality Improvement Program Specialist.

Onscreen video: people working at laptops and talking at a table.

Voiceover by Esther Lyongo: and in October 2004 the position was advertised at the US embassy

Spoken onscreen by Esther Lyongo: and we were finally recruited as locally employed staff under the US embassy, where we are till date.

Spoken onscreen by Prof. Patrice Njukeng, Global Health Systems Solutions Founder and Director: We have achieved five laboratories in Cameroon obtaining ISO 15189 accreditation.

Onscreen text: Prof. Patrice Njukeng. Global Health Systems Solutions Founder and Director.

Onscreen video: exterior shot of lab, people working in a lab.

Voiceover by Prof. Patrice Njukeng: That is a key accomplishment. These are the first-ever labs in the Central Africa region to have gone through that process

Spoken onscreen by Prof. Patrice Njukeng: and obtain accreditation, and over five years now, they have been able to sustain that accreditation to date.

Spoken onscreen by Dr. Mohamed F. Jalloh, CDC Cameroon Country Director: We've seen the threat of COVID-19 pandemic and we've learned from that. The leadership that we saw from the Government of Cameroon

Onscreen text: Dr. Mohamed F. Jalloh. CDC Cameroon Country Director.

Spoken onscreen by Dr. Mohamed F. Jalloh: activating the National Emergency Operations Center, and even right now using lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic to apply them to present day health threats.

Spoken onscreen by Dr. Tih Pius Muffih, Former Director Cameroon Baptist Convention Health Services: One of the major successes would just be this fact of covering the whole country with HIV activities through the strategy of dividing it into 4 zones

Onscreen text: Dr. Tih Pius Muffih. Former Director Cameroon Baptist Convention Health Services.

Onscreen video: overhead shots of buildings in Cameroon and patients waiting in a clinic and interacting with medical providers.

Voiceover by Dr. Tih Pius Muffih: and making sure that the entire country is covered with HIV activities.

So I would say CDC is a wonderful partner of Cameroon and has actually championed the epidemic control in Cameroon.

Spoken onscreen by Dr. Tih Pius Muffih: We are going to reach epidemic control not far from now. In fact, in the West region, I can basically say we are there, and we are going to get there as a country thanks to CDC.

Onscreen graphic: CDC logo and social media icons. Graphics slowly fade on-screen.

Onscreen text: CDC. [www.cdc.gov/globalhealth](http://www.cdc.gov/globalhealth). Follow @CDCGlobal on social media.