

LOCAL MANUFACTURE OF MALARIA COMMODITIES

Issue: Currently, the majority of malaria commodities used in the prevention and treatment of malaria in African countries are imported. Local production of malaria commodities in Africa is most highly developed in relation to mosquito nets. Nigeria and Tanzania currently undertake full production of long-lasting mosquito nets in affiliation with western companies. In addition, Ethiopia, Kenya and Malawi all have industries that cut and sew mosquito nets, using precursors supplied from external partners. In relation to malaria treatment, three formulations of amodiaquine+artesunate are manufactured in laboratories in Morocco. South Africa is a regional centre for the manufacture of insecticides used in controlling malaria-transmitting mosquitoes.

ALMA action on local manufacture of malaria commodities: ALMA is working with key partners including the GFATM to study opportunities and carry out a cost benefit analysis of local manufacture of essential malaria commodities in Africa. ALMA working with key partners will engage manufacturers to collaborate and to develop and action plan to increase the local manufacture of essential malaria commodities in Africa.

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