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Malaria

Progress
Uganda has achieved operational universal coverage of vector control and has secured sufficient finances to fund the ACTs, RDTs and LLINs required in 2018. The country has carried out insecticide resistance monitoring since 2015 and has reported the results to WHO. The country has scaled up the implementation of iCCM. Uganda has enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms with the development of the Malaria Control Scorecard.

Impact
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Key Challenge
- Malaria upsurges reported in parts of the country.

Previous Key Recommended Action
The country has responded positively to the recommended action on removal of tariffs on private sector RTDs to enhance affordability in the private sector.

MNCH

Progress
Uganda has achieved good coverage of the tracer MNCH intervention of exclusive breastfeeding and has recently increased coverage of ARTs in the total population. Uganda has significantly enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms with the ongoing development of a Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health Scorecard.

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Uganda is measured using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for lymphatic filariasis, onchocerciasis, schistosomiasis, soil transmitted helminths and trachoma. Preventive chemotherapy coverage in Uganda is high for onchocerciasis (97%). Coverage for lymphatic filariasis is 72%, schistosomiasis is 37%, soil transmitted helminths is 58%, and trachoma is 73%. Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Uganda in 2016 is 64, which represents an increase compared with the 2015 index value (43).

New Key Recommended Action

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¹ MNCH metrics, recommended actions and response tracked through WHO MCA