70% of the population of Eritrea is at high risk of malaria. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2012 was 42,178 with 30 deaths.
Urgent Global Fund Update
The Global Fund has announced that Eritrea will receive US$ 84.8 million for HIV, tuberculosis, malaria, and health systems strengthening as the country allocation under the New Funding Model. The total figure includes all existing, unspent funds from previous rounds and the Interim New Funding Model. The Global Fund has determined the total allocation amount based on Eritrea’s disease burden and income level, as well as several other factors. The malaria component is also allocated a specific proportion of the total, according to a formula developed by the Global Fund that takes into account several factors, including disease burden and previous disbursements. For Eritrea this is calculated at US$ 36.1 million, including US$ 27 million of new resources. The allocations to the individual disease components are not fixed, and can be adjusted according to decisions made at country level. Eritrea is urged to ensure that resources are allocated to malaria control from the overall Global Fund country allocation at a level that is sufficient to sustain the gains made in recent years.

Progress
Eritrea has made significant progress in scaling-up malaria control interventions. The country has been successful in attracting resources through the Global Fund. Additionally, the country has made policy changes including the banning of oral artemisinin-based monotherapies and the introduction of a policy of Community Case Management of malaria and pneumonia. The country secured sufficient financing to maintain universal coverage of key anti-malarial interventions in 2014. Eritrea has achieved impressive coverage of DPT3 and has significantly increased PMTCT coverage, and has recently increased the coverage of exclusive breastfeeding, and has made gains in the coverage of skilled birth attendants. Eritrea has achieved a 65% reduction in under-five child mortality since 1990.

Impact
Eritrea has made significant progress in malaria prevention and control. The number of malaria cases (probable and confirmed) has decreased from 125,746 in 2001 to 42,178 in 2012. In the same period, malaria admissions (inpatient cases) declined from 10,886 to 6,780 and deaths from 133 to 30. As such, the country is on track to achieve a 75% decrease in malaria incidence 2000-2015.

Key Challenge
- Delays in procurement of LLINs to sustain universal coverage.

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## New Key Recommended Action

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### Key
- Action achieved
- Some progress
- No progress
- Deliverable not yet due