Malaria transmission in South Sudan is generally perennial, with moderate to high intensity. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2013 was 1,855,501 with 1,311 deaths.
Progress
South Sudan has made some progress in scaling-up malaria control interventions. Progress has been made in rolling out Community Case Management of malaria and pneumonia to increase coverage of case management. The country has recently banned oral artemisinin-based monotherapies. The country has secured sufficient resources to achieve universal coverage of LLINs, RDTs, and ACTs in 2015. South Sudan has reduced the under-five mortality rate by 59% since 1990. South Sudan was awarded a 2015 ALMA Award for Most Improved in Malaria Control.

Impact
The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2013 was 1,855,501 with 1,311 deaths.

Key Challenge
- The lack of new resources allocated to malaria in the GF New Funding Model jeopardises the country's ability to sustain the gains made in the fight against malaria.

Previous Key Recommended Actions

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<td>Conduct a root cause analysis to identify underlying causes of low-skilled attendants and, based on that analysis, consider increasing the number of midwives and other skilled birth attendants. Increase the number of facilities providing basic medical obstetric care and emergency medical obstetric care. Increase demand through community action</td>
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South Sudan has responded positively to the recommended actions addressing low coverage of PMTCT and the lack of data for postnatal care and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

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

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