Malaria is endemic in all parts of Zambia and transmission is seasonal. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2012 was 4,695,400 with 3,705 deaths.
Progress

Zambia has made significant progress in scaling-up malaria control interventions. The country has achieved high coverage of case management of malaria, as well as LLINs. Zambia has banned oral artemisinin-based monotherapies and has introduced a policy on Community Case Management of malaria and pneumonia. The country has committed additional resources to ACT and RDT procurement and has secured the majority of the resources required to sustain universal coverage in 2014. Zambia has also made significant progress in tracer MNCH interventions, with high coverage of exclusive breastfeeding and PMTCT. Zambia has demonstrated a 54% decline in the under-five mortality rates since 1990.

Impact

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2012 was 4,695,400 with 3,705 deaths. Zambia is projected to achieve a 50%–75% decrease in malaria incidence 2000–2015.

Key Challenge

- LLIN coverage is dropping.

Previous Key Recommended Actions

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Key

- Green: Action achieved
- Yellow: Some progress
- Red: No progress
- Grey: Deliverable not yet due