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Malaria

Progress
Malawi has secured sufficient resources to finance the ACTs, RDTs and LLINs required for 2019. Sufficient LLINs have been procured to achieve 100% operational coverage of LLINs. Malawi has scaled up iCCM. Malawi has carried out insecticide resistance monitoring since 2015 and has reported the results to WHO. The country has also developed an insecticide resistance monitoring and management plan. Malawi has significantly enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of the Malaria Control Scorecard.

Impact
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Key Challenge
- The country has been adversely affected by the recent cyclone Idai.

Previous Key Recommended Action

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RMNCAH and NTDs

Progress
High coverage has been obtained for the tracer RMNCAH interventions, skilled birth attendants, exclusive breastfeeding and vitamin A. the country has recently increased coverage of ARTs in the total population. Malawi has significantly enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms with the development and launch of the Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn and Child Health Scorecard.

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Malawi 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 Malawi is high for lymphatic filariasis (100%), schistosomiasis (100%), trachoma (90%), onchocerciasis (86%) and soil transmitted helminths (82%). Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Malawi in 2017 is 91, which represents a slight increase compared with the 2016 index value (89). Malawi has significantly enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms with the development and launch of the NTD Scorecard.