The entire population of Sierra Leone is at high risk of malaria. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2017 was 1,741,512 with 1,298 deaths.
Malaria Progress
Sierra Leone has secured sufficient resources to achieve universal coverage of LLINs, RDTs and ACTs in 2019 and has distributed sufficient LLINs to achieve 100% operational coverage. The country has scaled up the implementation of iCCM. Sierra Leone has significantly enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of a Malaria Control and Elimination Scorecard. The country has carried out insecticide resistance monitoring since 2015 and has reported the results to WHO, and has recently finalised the insecticide resistance monitoring and management plan.

Impact
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RMNCAH and NTDs Progress
Sierra Leone has achieved high coverage of the tracer RMNCAH intervention of vitamin A and DPT3 and has recently increased coverage of ARTs in the total population and skilled birth attendants. The country enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms with the development of the Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn and Child Health Scorecard.

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Sierra Leone is measured using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for lymphatic filariasis, onchocerciasis, schistosomiasis, and soil transmitted helminths. Preventive chemotherapy coverage in Sierra Leone is high for schistosomiasis (99%), soil transmitted helminths (83%), lymphatic filariasis (81%) and onchocerciasis (78%). Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Sierra Leone in 2017 is 85, which represents an increase compared with the 2016 index value (81).

Previous Key Recommended Action
Sierra Leone has responded positively to the RMNCAH recommended action addressing low coverage of ARTs in children, and continues to track progress as this action is implemented, with increases in coverage recently observed.