Malaria transmission in Nigeria takes place all year round in the south but is more seasonal in the northern regions. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2013 was 12,830,911 cases and 7,878 deaths.
Progress
Nigeria has banned oral artemisinin-based monotherapies and introduced a policy on Community Case Management for malaria and pneumonia. The country has secured significant resources including from the Global Fund. The development of the Saving One Million Lives initiative in 2012 is expected to accelerate progress in tracer MNCH intervention coverage and the tracking of these indicators will be enhanced through the Saving One Million Lives Scorecard.

Impact
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Key Challenge
- Funding gaps to achieve and sustain universal coverage of all malaria interventions to 2015 and beyond.

Previous Key Recommended Actions

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

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