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Quarter Four, 2016

Malaria
Impact
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Key Challenge
- Insufficient resources to achieve high coverage of essential malaria interventions.

Previous Key Recommended Actions

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Gabon has responded to the recommended actions addressing financing of anti-malarial commodities and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

New Key Recommended Action

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**MNCH Progress**
Gabon has achieved high coverage of the tracer MNCH interventions of skilled birth attendants.

**Previous Key Recommended Actions**
Gabon has responded positively to the MNCH recommended action addressing low coverage of exclusive breastfeeding, and lack of data on vitamin A and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

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