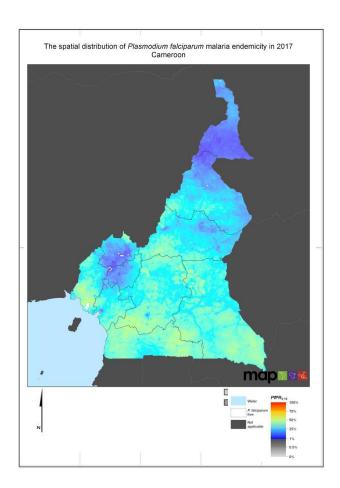
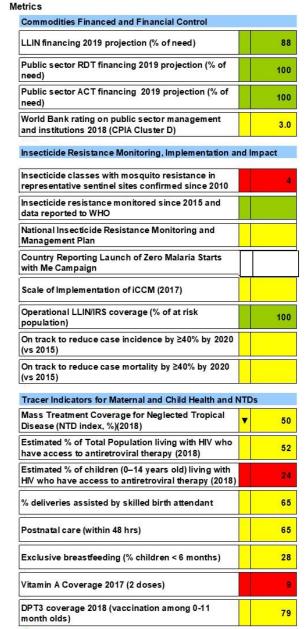
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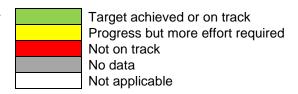
Scorecard for Accountability and Action





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Key



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Malaria

The Global Fund

The Global Fund has announced that Cameroon will receive €250 million for HIV, tuberculosis, malaria, and health systems strengthening as the country allocation for 2021-2023. The Global Fund has determined the total allocation amount based on Cameroon's disease burden and income level, as well as several other factors. The malaria component is also allocated a specific proportion of the total, according to a formula developed by the Global Fund that takes into account several factors, including disease burden and previous disbursements. For Cameroon this is calculated at €101.2 million. The allocations to the individual disease components are not fixed, and can be adjusted according to decisions made at country level. Cameroon is urged to ensure that resources are allocated to malaria control from the overall Global Fund country allocation, as well as from domestic resources, to accelerate progress.

Progress

Cameroon secured most of the resources to cover the costs of the ACTs and RDTs needed in 2019. Cameroon has carried out insecticide resistance monitoring since 2015 and has reported the results to WHO. Cameroon has enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of a Malaria Control Scorecard. The country is also showing leadership in malaria control through its participation in the High Burden High Impact approach.

Impact

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2018 was 2,471,514 with 3,256 deaths.

Key Challenges

- Insecticide resistance.
- Delays in the completion of the universal coverage campaign.

Previous Key Recommended Action

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
Vector Control	Work to ensure the LLIN universal coverage campaign is completed	Q2 2020		The Government of Cameroun has committed to meet the co-financing requirements for the Global Fund and has established a special account for counterpart funding and new processes for disbursing finances

New Key Recommended Action

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe
Address funding	Ensure the GF malaria funding application is submitted by Q2 2020 and ensure that resources are allocated to malaria control at a level that is sufficient to sustain the gains made in recent years	Q2 2020

RMNCAH and NTDs

Progress

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Cameroon 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 Cameroon is high for trachoma (100%); and below WHO targets for onchocerciasis (64%), lymphatic filariasis (58%), soil transmitted helminths (34%) and schistosomiasis (25%). Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Cameroon in 2018 is 50 and this shows a substantial decrease compared with the 2017 index value (83).

Previous Kev Recommended Actions

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completio n timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishmen ts since last quarterly report
RMNCAH ¹ : Optimise quality of care	Investigate and address the reasons for the reported decrease in Vitamin A coverage in 2016	Q2 2019		The country reports that the low coverage in 2016 was due to only 6 regions out of 10 having resources for vitamin A. High coverage was observed in 2019

The country has responded positively to previous recommended action on accelerating coverage of ARTs in the total population and in children under 14 years of age, with a 2% increase reported in the last year.

New Key Recommended Action

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe
NTDs	Work to increase the preventive chemotherapy for Lymphatic Filariasis, Onchocerciasis, Soil Transmitted Helminths and Schistosomiasis to reach WHO targets	Q4 2020



¹ RMNCAH metrics, recommended actions and response tracked through WHO