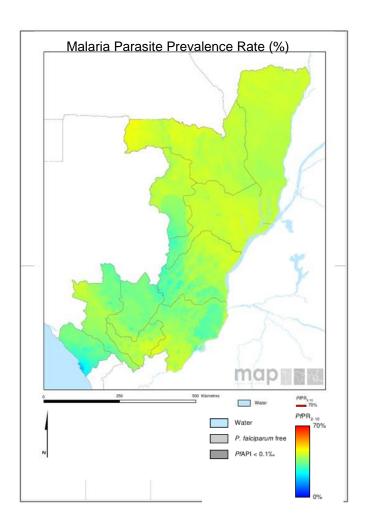
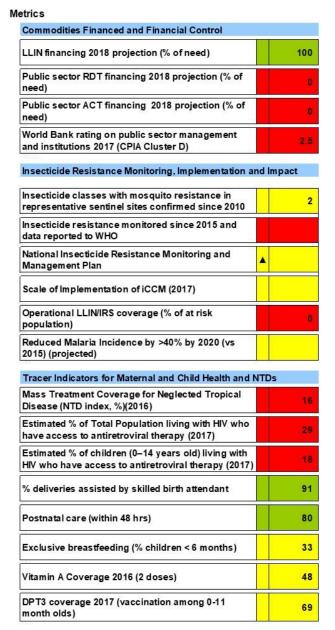
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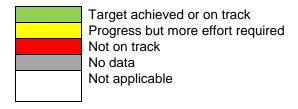
## **Scorecard for Accountability and Action**





The entire population of the Republic of the Congo is at high risk of malaria and transmission is intense all year round. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2016 was 374,252 with 733 deaths.

## Key



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## Malaria

### **Progress**

Congo has secured sufficient resources to cover the required treatment needs for ACTs in 2018. The country has also recently scaled up iCCM coverage. The majority of patients are able to access ACTs and RDTs through the health insurance scheme.

## **Impact**

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2016 was 374,252 with 733 deaths.

#### **Key Challenge**

 Low coverage of essential interventions due to lack of external and domestic resources

### **Previous Key Recommended Actions**

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
Vector Control	Report on the status of insecticide resistance monitoring to WHO	Q3 2018		The country has developed a roadmap for the Global Fund financed entomological survey however, additional resources are required to complete insecticide resistance testing

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

# **MNCH and NTDs**

## **Progress**

Congo has made good progress in tracer MNCH interventions including skilled birth attendants and vitamin A. The country has enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms with the development of a Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health Scorecard.

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Congo 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 Congo is high for onchocerciasis (79%); however, coverage is low for lymphatic filariasis (12%), schistosomiasis (25%) and soil transmitted helminths (3%). Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Congo in 2016 is 16 and this represents a substantial decrease compared with the 2015 index value (38).

# **Previous Key Recommended Actions**

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
MNCH <sup>1</sup> : Optimise quality of care	Investigate and address the reasons for the reported decrease in Vitamin A coverage in 2016	Q2 2019		The decrease of vitamin A in Congo in 2016 was due to a crisis in one of the health departments (Pool) which disrupted health care delivery. The country is now prioritising the increase in coverage of priority health interventions including the distribution of Vitamin A, which was distributed in April 2018 during the vaccination week

Congo has responded positively to the NTD recommended action addressing low coverage of NTD preventive chemotherapy, and continues to track progress as this action is implemented Congo has also responded positively to the MNCH recommended action addressing low coverage of ARTs, and coverage has recently increased, and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

# **New Key Recommended Action**

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe
NTDs	Carry out mapping for elimination of Onchocerciasis	Q3 2019



<sup>1</sup> MNCH metrics, recommended actions and response tracked through WHO MCA