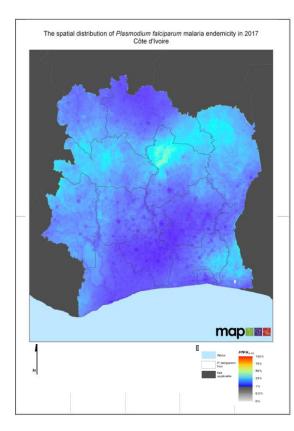
Côte d'Ivoire ALMA Quarterly Report Quarter Four, 2021



Scorecard for Accountability and Action



Metrics Comm

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Commodities Financed		
LLIN financing 2021 projection (% of need)	100	
Public sector RDT financing 2021 projection (% of need)	100	
Public sector ACT financing 2021 projection (% of need)	100	

Insecticide Resistance Monitoring, Implementation and Impact

Insecticide Resistance Monitoring, Implementation a	nd	Impact
Insecticide classes with mosquito resistance in representative sentinel sites confirmed since 2010		4
Insecticide resistance monitored since 2015 and data reported to WHO		
National Insecticide Resistance Monitoring and Management Plan		
RDTs in stock (>6 months stock)		
ACTs in stock (>6 months stock)		
LLIN/IRS campaign on track		
Country Reporting Launch of Zero Malaria Starts with Me Campaign		
Scale of Implementation of iCCM		
Operational LLIN/IRS coverage (% of at risk population)		100
On track to reduce case incidence by ≥40% by 2020 (vs 2015)	•	
On track to reduce case mortality by ≥40% by 2020 (vs 2015)		
Tracer Indicators for Maternal and Child Health, NTD	s a	nd Covid 19
Mass Treatment Coverage for Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD index, %)(2020)		59
Estimated % of Total Population living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2020)		74
Estimated % of children (0-14 years old) living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2020)		49
% deliveries assisted by skilled birth attendant		74
Postnatal care (within 48 hrs)		80
Exclusive breastfeeding (% children < 6 months)		23
Vitamin A Coverage 2020 (2 doses)		89
DPT3 coverage 2020 (vaccination among 0-11 month olds)		80
% Population Fully Vaccinated Against COVID-19		8

Key

Malaria transmission occurs all year round throughout Côte d'Ivoire, although it is more seasonal in the north of the country. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2020 was 4,980,640 with 1,316 deaths.



Target achieved or on track Progress but more effort required Not on track No data Not applicable



Sustaining Essential Health Services During the COVID-19 Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic is putting an incredible strain on health systems across Africa. Health systems are required to maintain routine health services for other illnesses even as they handle the additional burden. In order to prevent widespread morbidity and mortality, it is of vital importance that we work to sustain the delivery of essential life-saving interventions during this difficult time including for Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent health, Neglected Tropical Diseases and malaria.

WHO underlines the critical importance of sustaining efforts to prevent, detect and treat malaria during the COVID-19 pandemic. It was of vital importance to ensure the continuity of malaria prevention and treatment services including distribution of insecticide-treated nets and indoor residual spraying, as well as chemoprevention for pregnant women and young children (intermittent preventive treatment in pregnancy and seasonal malaria chemoprevention). Under the worst-case scenario, in which all ITN campaigns were suspended and with a 75% reduction in access to effective antimalarial medicines, WHO estimated that there could have been a 23.2% increase in malaria cases, and a 111.4% increase in malaria deaths in Cote d'Ivoire. This scenario would represent a complete reversal in the substantial progress in malaria mortality reductions seen over the last 2 decades.

WHO estimates that there were an additional 47,000 malaria deaths globally in 2020 due to service disruptions during the COVID-19 pandemic, leading to an estimated 7.5% increase in deaths.

It is essential to ensure the continuity of malaria, RMNCAH and NTD services in 2022 as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact our continent. This may include the implementation of any necessary catch-up activities and ensuring timely planning to account for potential delays in procurement and delivery. Any intervention must ensure the safety of communities and health workers given the ease of transmission of COVID-19.

The country has been affected by the continent-wide restriction of access to COVID-19 vaccines, and had only been able to cover 8% of their population by the end of 2021.

Malaria

Progress

Côte d'Ivoire has successfully raised resources for the financing of LLINs, RDTs, and ACTs in 2021 and has procured enough LLINs to achieve 100% operational coverage of the targeted at risk population with LLINs. The country has also scaled up implementation of iCCM. There are sufficient stocks of ACTs and RDTs and the IRS and LLIN campaigns have been successfully completed. Côte d'Ivoire has recently reported the results of insecticide resistance testing to WHO. The country has launched the Zero Malaria Starts with Me campaign.

In line with the legacy agenda of the ALMA chair, His Excellency President Uhuru Kenyatta, Côte d'Ivoire has enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of a Malaria Scorecard, however the scorecard is not yet shared through the ALMA Scorecard Hub.

Impact

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Key Challenge

• Sustaining the delivery of essential life-saving interventions during the COVID-19 pandemic including for Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Adolescent and Child health, malaria and NTDs.

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completio n timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
Impact	Ensure that malaria services including case management and vector control are sustained and implemented whilst using COVID-19 sensitive guidelines during the pandemic	Q4 2022		Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the utilisation of health care services decreased but sensitization was strengthened. The national mass distribution campaign of LLINs and the Indoor Residual Spraying were completed as planned. The country faced some stock outs of drugs and tests at health facility and community level but this has been addressed through urgent orders and re- distribution among health facilities

Previous Key Recommended Action

RMNCAH and NTDs

Progress

The country has made progress on the tracer RMNCAH intervention of postnatal care and has recently increased coverage of vitamin A and of ARTs. Côte d'Ivoire has enhanced 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 Côte d'Ivoire is measured using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for onchocerciasis, schistosomiasis, soil transmitted helminths, lymphatic filariasis and trachoma. In 2020, preventive chemotherapy coverage in Côte d'Ivoire was very good for schistosomiasis (100%), onchocerciasis (74%) and for soil transmitted helminths (82%). Coverage for lymphatic filariasis (48%) and trachoma (25%) was low. Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Côte d'Ivoire in 2020 is 59 and this represents substantial decrease compared with the 2019 index value (65).

Previous Key Recommended Actions

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RMNCAH ¹ : Optimise quality of	a) Address the falling coverage of vitamin A	Q1 2021		The country achieved high coverage of Vitamin A in both campaigns in 2020
care	 b) Ensure that essential RMNCAH services are sustained and implemented whilst using Covid-19 sensitive guidelines during the pandemic. Address any stock-outs of essential RMNCAH commodities 	Q4 2020		The country reports that health services use and demand decreased significantly in the first half of 2020 but that the demand for and use of health services has since increased. NGOs and CBOs carried out outreach and mass- communication awareness- raising activities on COVID-19 including designing and distributing communication materials, radio ads, illustrated fact sheets, illustrated guides, posters, posts on social media and digital platforms. PPE has been distributed to community health workers with additional PPE funded through the Global Fund
NTDs	Ensure that NTD interventions including Mass Drug Administration, vector control and Morbidity Management and Disability Prevention are sustained and implemented whilst using Covid-19 sensitive guidelines during the pandemic. This includes prioritising key necessary catch-up activities	Q4 2022		No progress reported

Côte d'Ivoire has responded positively to the RMNCAH recommended action addressing low coverage of exclusive breastfeeding and continues to track progress as this action is implemented.

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

¹ RMNCAH metrics, recommended actions and response tracked through WH