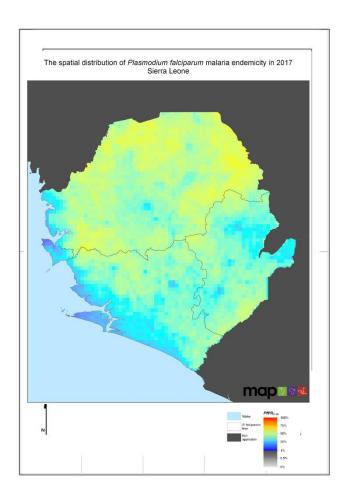
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Scorecard for Accountability and Action

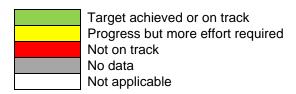


Metrics **Commodities Financed and Financial Control** 100 LLIN financing 2019 projection (% of need) Public sector RDT financing 2019 projection (% of 100 Public sector ACT financing 2019 projection (% of 100 World Bank rating on public sector management 3.2 and institutions 2018 (CPIA Cluster D) Insecticide Resistance Monitoring, Implementation and Impact Insecticide classes with mosquito resistance in representative sentinel sites confirmed since 2010 Insecticide resistance monitored since 2015 and data reported to WHO National Insecticide Resistance Monitoring and Management Plan Country Reporting Launch of Zero Malaria Starts with Me Campaign Scale of Implementation of iCCM (2017) Operational LLIN/IRS coverage (% of at risk 100 population) 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 and NTDs Mass Treatment Coverage for Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD index, %)(2018) Estimated % of Total Population living with HIV who 41 have access to antiretroviral therapy (2018) Estimated % of children (0-14 years old) living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2018) % deliveries assisted by skilled birth attendant 69 73 Postnatal care (within 48 hrs) Exclusive breastfeeding (% children < 6 months) 31 Vitamin A Coverage 2017 (2 doses) 98 DPT3 coverage 2018 (vaccination among 0-11

The entire population of Sierra Leone is at high risk of malaria. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2018 was 1 781 855 with 1,949 deaths.

Key

month olds)



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Malaria

Global Fund Update

The Global Fund has announced that Sierra Leone will receive US\$ 126.2 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 Sierra Leone'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 Sierra Leone this is calculated at US\$68.4 million. The allocations to the individual disease components are not fixed, and can be adjusted according to decisions made at country level. Sierra Leone 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

Sierra Leone has secured sufficient resources to achieve universal coverage of LLINs, RDTs and ACTs in 2019 and has distributed sufficient LLINs to achieve 100% operational coverage of the targeted at risk population. The country has scaled up the implementation of iCCM. Sierra Leone has significantly enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of a Malaria Control and Elimination Scorecard. The country has carried out insecticide resistance monitoring since 2015 and has reported the results to WHO, and has recently finalised the insecticide resistance monitoring and management plan. Sierra Leone has launched the Zero Malaria Starts with Me campaign.

Impact

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2018 was 1,781,855 with 1,949 deaths.

New Key Recommended Action

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe
Address funding	Ensure the GF malaria funding application is submitted by Q3 2020 and ensure that resources are allocated to malaria control at a level that is sufficient	Q3 2020
	to sustain the gains made in recent years	

RMNCAH and NTDs

Progress

Sierra Leone has achieved high coverage of the tracer RMNCAH intervention of vitamin A and DPT3 and has recently increased coverage of ARTs in the total population and skilled birth attendants. The country enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms with the development of the Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn and Child Health Scorecard.

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Sierra Leone 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 Sierra Leone is good for onchocerciasis (76%) and below WHO targets for soil transmitted helminths (73%) and for lymphatic filariasis (61%). Preventive chemotherapy was not implemented for schistosomiasis (%). Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for

Sierra Leone in 2018 is 14, which represents a large decrease compared with the 2017 index value (85).

Previous Key Recommended Action

Sierra Leone has responded positively to the RMNCAH recommended action addressing low coverage of ARTs in children, and continues to track progress as this action is implemented, with increases in coverage recently observed.

New Key Recommended Action

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe
NTDs	Work to increase the preventive chemotherapy for lymphatic filariasis and schistosomiasis to reach WHO targets and implement preventive chemotherapy for Soil Transmitted Helminths	Q4 2020