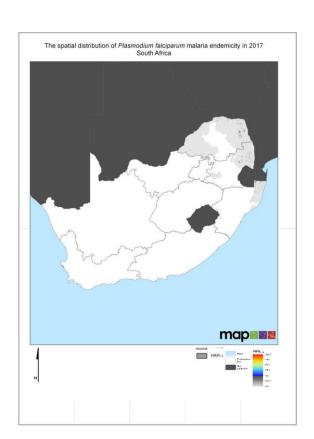
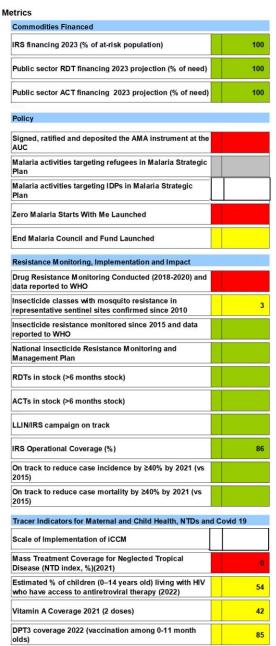
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### **Scorecard for Accountability and Action**





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#### Key



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#### Malaria

The country continues to work on strengthening and maintaining health services following the devastating impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. In this regard, South Africa has sufficient financing to cover the malaria commodity needs for 2023 and has good stocks of ACTs and RDTs. The country has finalised the insecticide resistance monitoring and management plan and has reported insecticide resistance data to WHO. WHO has identified South Africa as being a country with the potential to eliminate local transmission of malaria by 2025.

In line with the priority agenda of the ALMA chair, His Excellency President Umaro Sissoco Embaló, South Africa has enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of the Malaria Elimination Scorecard, although it is not yet shared on the ALMA Scorecard Hub. The country is also planning to launch and End Malaria and NTD Council and Fund in Q3 2023.

#### **Impact**

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2021 was 5,812 with 56 deaths.

#### **Key Challenges**

- Risk of re-introduction of malaria from neighbouring countries.
- There is a need to strengthen cross border collaboration with neighbouring countries.

#### **Previous Key Recommended Actions**

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
Policy	Sign, ratify and deposit the AMA instrument at the AUC	Q1 2023		No Progress Reported

The country has responded positively to the recommended actions addressing reporting drug resistance monitoring.

### RMNCAH and NTDs

#### **Progress**

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in South Africa is shown using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for schistosomiasis and soil transmitted helminthiasis. In 2021, preventive chemotherapy coverage is 0 % for both soil transmitted helminths and for schistosomiasis. Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for South Africa in 2021 is 0, which is the same as the 2020 index value (0).

## **Previous Recommended Actions**

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishmen ts since last quarterly report
NTDs	Work to implement preventive chemotherapy for soil transmitted helminths and schistosomiasis and reach WHO targets.	Q4 2023		Deliverable not yet due
Optimise quality of care	Address the falling coverage of vitamin A	Q4 2022		The country increased vitamin A coverage in 2021 compared to 2020

