

## Vector Works T. A. Mission Sitrep Luanda – Week #1

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### Background:

In May of 2017, Angola will implement its first simultaneously implemented national mass LLIN distribution campaign. The LLIN distribution campaign is part of a larger effort to increase net ownership and usage that includes strategies such as social and behavioural communication change and continuous net distributions. Local and international consultants supported by VectorWorks to assist the Angolan National Malaria Control Program (NMCP) in the planning, implementation and evaluation of the campaign.

### Meetings / Visit Contacts: (Formal and informal)

*April, 3 to 7, 2017*

- Dr. Rafael Dimbu, Deputy PM NMCP
- Dr. Manzambi Ferreira – Logistics focal person NMCP
- Dr. Fátima João – IEC/BCC focal person NMCP
- Dr. Fernanda Guimarães – NMCP Epidemiologist
- Chantelle Owens – PMI/CDC
- Lungi Okoko – USAID
- Lubaki João – PSM
- Rebecca Turner - PSM
- Evaristo Chumana – ADPP/ Malaria Forum
- Marie Baptiste – PSI
- Denizia Pinto – PSI

VW technical support for this mission will focus on the following elements:

1. Work with NMCP and PSM during the arrival of nets making sure the tracking systems are in place
2. Update and validate Logistics Plan of Action with the NMCP, PMI, PSM, PSI, and other relevant stakeholders
3. Update and validate the Plan of Action with the NMCP, PMI, PSM, PSI and other relevant stakeholders
4. Attend logistics sub-committee meetings

### Technical

Plan of action for the campaign is still to be finalised and validated. It is reported that there were contributions made by technical, communications and logistics subcommittees landed somewhere at NMCP and only compilation is missing;

As part of implementation, coordination and planning for the campaign, 5 provinces have been selected for the first phase of the campaign, Cuanza Norte, Cuanza Sul, Malanje, Zaire and Uige;

Malanje and Uige provinces will be covered by LLINs sourced by Global Fund that are already in country;

Cuanza Norte, Cuanza Sul and Zaire will be covered by LLINs sourced by USAID/PMI that are scheduled to arrive in country on April 15<sup>TH</sup> – 1 400 000 and April 22<sup>nd</sup> – 700 000;

Official letter from Minister of Health informing all the provinces about campaign activities and selected implementing agent (PSI) was sent on March 27<sup>th</sup>;

PSI has already contracted the provincial coordinators for the 5 provinces to be covered on the first phase of the campaign and also municipal coordinators in 3 provinces out of 5;

PSI, the implementing agent, has organized 5 day workshops in Luanda, attended by 4 to 5 people coming from each province, including the recruited provincial coordinators, for the campaign activities and TOT for household registration. For this purpose and depending on the number of municipalities, provinces were divided in 2 groups;

The provinces of Malanje, Cuanza Norte, and Cuanza Sul are currently in the process of micro planning. Depending on the number of comunas, the municipalities are also divided into 2 groups;

Household registration activities are expected to start in May 07<sup>th</sup> for a maximum period of 15 days;

The official launch of the campaign will be in Malanje province with dates still to be decided;

Detailed information about campaign activities carried out up to date will be part of the report to be submitted by PSI to NMCP by Monday April 10<sup>th</sup>;

### ***Logistics***

Logistics plan of action still to be revised, finalised and approved;

New delivery schedule of LLINs provided by PSM. 1.4M LLINs will arrive in Luanda on April 15<sup>th</sup> and 0.7M will arrive on April 22<sup>th</sup>;

PSM will be responsible to deliver USAID/PMI LLINs from Luanda to the municipalities warehouses;

It is still to be agreed by PMI/PSI/NMCP/PSM how LLINs sourced by Global Fund will move from Luanda to the municipalities;

Logistics trucking tools, communication tools and all the other campaign material are still under procurement;

The process was delayed due to no response from the suppliers/bidders on the first round;

PSI has decided to contact directly the potential traditional suppliers for the second round;

### **Challenges:**

- NMCP ownership is still limited;
- NMCP involvement is still limited;

- Time pressure for both NMCP and PSI;
- Many activities taking place at once with different agencies having varying priorities for activities which makes coordination, including scheduling coordination meetings challenging

### **Upcoming Activities**

- Update of draft logistics plan of action based on the new delivery schedule;
- Update campaign plan of action based on the contributions from the subcommittees;
- Follow up on the procurement process of the campaign materials and specifically the logistics trucking tools;
- Follow up on discussions about movement of LLINs sourced by GF from Luanda to the Municipalities;
- Tentative travel to Malanje province for logistics micro planning monitoring.