

Alliance for Malaria Prevention: Burundi

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Context:

- National campaign originally planned for June 2017 has been pushed back to late July – 6,471,692 LLINs were ordered mid-October 2016 and delivery expected in all 18 provinces between April and mid-June 2017.
- Declaration by the Minister of Health of malaria epidemic in northern provinces may result in re-scheduling of deliveries to the affected area. Discussions will be held in the next few days with NMCP and CARITAS regarding the possibility to distribute as early as possible (ahead of the rest of the country) in these provinces.
- Campaign budget still not finalized as of mid-March. Latest review which took place on 13th and 14th still pending GF approval.
- No specific up-date available on security context in Burundi since last AMP mission in November 2016. NMCP and CARITAS seemingly unwilling to share any concerns in that respect.
- The priorities of the current mission are:
 - Obtain latest adjustments to the campaign budget (made on 13th and 14th March) in order to align district budgets in the micro-planning template, ahead of ToT on Wednesday March 15th.
 - Conduct central level ToT for micro-planning (3 days).
 - Conduct central level logistics training (1 day).

Activities:

- Spent March 8th to 11th in Nairobi waiting for letter from Burundi to get visa on arrival at airport. Worked on micro-planning and logistics training material for up-coming Burundi mission.
- Arrived in Burundi on 12th March late PM.
- Meeting with NMCP and Caritas to review and finalize micro-planning ToT agenda, list of participants and training presentations.
- Review and align all budget assumptions and unit costs between latest version of campaign budget and district budgets included in the micro-planning template.

The week ahead:

- Micro-planning ToT on 15th to 17th March.
- Logistics training on Saturday 18th.
- Travel to Bangui, via Nairobi, on 19th March.

- CAR mission week of 20th to 25th March.