

### EXPANDING THE OWNERSHIP AND USE OF MOSQUITO NETS

**AMP Conference call minutes:** <a href="www.allianceformalariaprevention.com">www.allianceformalariaprevention.com</a> March 3rd, 2021

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## Agenda - March 3rd AMP conference call

Chair : Jason Peat Rapporteur : Jason Peat

- Introductions
- Country updates
- Working Group Updates
- AoB

#### Participants March 3rd call:

32 participants

Next conference call: Wednesday March 10th, 10:00 EST, 15:00 GMT / UTC, 16:00 CET

### AMP 2021 Virtual Partners Meeting - March 24th, 25th, 26th

- The AMP 2021 Virtual Partners Meeting on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
- The meeting will take place from 9:00 AM EDT to 1:00 PM EDT each day.
- Number of registered participants as of March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 78 participants
- You can register to participate in the meeting at the following link:
   <a href="https://allianceformalariaprevention.com/about/amp-2021-virtual-partners-meeting/">https://allianceformalariaprevention.com/about/amp-2021-virtual-partners-meeting/</a>

#### **FOCUS ISSUES / AMP WEBSITE UPDATES**

#### **WORKING GROUP UPDATES**

# Continuous distribution working group:

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No update

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No update

## Innovation and Evaluation working group:

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- If you are interested to share a case study make contact with Joe or Jess.
- Working to finalize container storage document

## Net mapping project working group:

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No update

# **New Nets Project:**

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- Bed bugs and ITNs big issue in terms of communicating ITNs are not bringing in bed bugs
- SBC on multi products is an issue

## Resource Mobilization working group:

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No update

#### Toolkit and Training working group:

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No update

#### **COUNTRY UPDATES**

# Country updates provided on March 3rd AMP call:

Burundi	
Country summary	<ul> <li>NMCP has been on contact with AMP to request guidance on the countries plans on how to conduct a multi-product campaign and align mass distribution with routine distribution</li> <li>Objective is to harmonize community based distribution and campaign</li> <li>Are discussing AMP TA support</li> </ul>

Cameroon	
Country summary	
March 3 <sup>rd</sup> update	- Campaign planning continues - Taking decision on type of ITNs - Transition to CD channels - Want to ensure the same type of campaign and routine ITNs
	<ul> <li>Looking at the additional costs of managing three different ITN types in the same region.</li> </ul>

CAR	
Country summary	<ul> <li>Security situation has degraded significantly in the country over the last weeks</li> <li>AMP will have a catch-up call with NMCP CAR next week.</li> </ul>

Chad	
Country summary	<ul> <li>Chad has completed 5 phases of campaign activities.</li> <li>Country is currently working on 6<sup>th</sup> phase distribution.</li> <li>Current plan is to start Phase 6 distribution by the end of February.</li> <li>Government of Chad to fund ITNs to complete ITN distribution.</li> </ul>
March 3 <sup>rd</sup> update	- Results of the first 5 phases of the distribution campaign:  > Total population counted: 12,856,526  > Total beneficiary households: 2,915,435  > Total ARLDS distributed: 6,159,757  > Phase 5 not yet completed;  - Implementation Phase 6:  > Planned distribution at the end of January postponed to the end of February;  > Routing of LLINs by WFP underway (started Wednesday 17 February; 25% completion);  > Field missions already planned for training followed by distribution.  - Phase 7:  > Confirmation by the government of its commitment to take charge of the organization; pending receipt of funds;  > Organization call PNLP, UNDP/PALAT/AMP:  > Review of the drafts of the TOR for the evaluation of the CDM;  > Review of discrepancies in figures on the LLINs.

# Major Challenges

- Ensure good communication COVID 19/ Malaria with anticipation on rumors;
- Ensure a relationship of trust between stakeholders and households;
- Set up an effective door-to-door supply system for LLINs for door-to-door teams to avoid disruptions;
- Maintain minimum traceability of LLINs;
- Ensure timely delivery of LLINs by transporters to PPSs;
- Maintain rigorous monitoring of protection measures against VIDOC 19 during all implementation activities, including logistics operations.

Cote D'Ivoire	
Country summary	<ul> <li>Vector Link team working to distribute PBO nets which arrive in February</li> <li>HH registration ongoing</li> <li>AMP has provided feedback on Plan of Action</li> <li>March 15<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> micro planning</li> <li>April 25<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> distribution</li> <li>Ongoing SBC and comms activities</li> <li>Logistics, transport and storage plans are in place</li> </ul>
March 3 <sup>rd</sup> update	<ul> <li>77% of Global Fund finances ITNs are at district level</li> <li>HH registration will take place from March 15<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. Distribution will take place in April</li> <li>A few items not well described in planning document such as reverse logistics</li> <li>Waste management plan is needed</li> </ul>

<ul> <li>ITN distribution ongoing in three provinces Tanga, Congo Central, Haut-Lomami</li> <li>AMF partner SANRU will use mobile devises for data collection</li> <li>GF DRC CT is currently making small changes within team</li> <li>AMF and Global Fund will review planned provincial level distributions in 2022 – 2023.</li> <li>This planning will align with Global Fund grant cycle.</li> <li>A number of ongoing distributions</li> <li>Distribution of 4 million ITNs completed in in Haute Katanga Province</li> <li>Distribution of 2.4 million ITNs in Haut-Lomami</li> <li>Distribution of 2 million ITNs in Tanganyika</li> <li>Data validation is currently ongoing</li> <li>Distribution of 3.1 million ITNs in Congo Central will be complete it 1 week.</li> <li>Kinshasa distribution will start of February 8<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Country is moving to longer term planning: prevalence, insecticide resistance in the country very worrying</li> </ul>

Ethiopia	
Country summary	<ul> <li>Next distribution of 7.8 million ITNs funded by GF and PMI</li> <li>PMI funded ITNs to arrive in February</li> <li>Remaining ITNs will arrive in April</li> <li>Central level ToT and micro planning to take place next week</li> <li>Workshops will covered lessons learned</li> </ul>

Ghana	
Country summary	<ul> <li>Plan to start trainings in three regions in Ghana in the coming months</li> <li>Plan to train during the month of Jan. and start ITN distribution in March</li> </ul>

Kenya	
Country summary	
March 3rd	<ul> <li>Micro planning is complete</li> <li>First region where ITNs will be distributed in Nyanza</li> </ul>

Liberia		
Country summary	Campaign summary table	
	Target population (2021)	4,931,090 (2018 campaign microplan population projected to 2021 at a growth rate of 2.1 %.)
	Scale of campaign	National, covering all 15 counties in Liberia
	Total number of ITNs required.	2,739,494
	Number of IG2 (quantity by funder)	All IG 2 nets procured by Global Fund.
March 3rd update	Date planned for distribution	May 2021
	Date planned for distribution  May 2021  The campaign macroplanning documents were submitted to the Global Fund on 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2021. The documents submitted include the campaign plan of action, the logistics plan of action, the communications plan of action, the campaign budget, campaign tracker and draft of M&E plan.  TA team continued support for the review of the campaign implementation tools. The exercise is to be completed within the week to enable commencement of production activities  TA team accompanied Marcy to participated in a catch-up meeting with GF Liberia country team. TA team provided update on the status of plans for the campaign and responded to specific questions. We discussed potential risks to the campaign and proffered advice to mitigate the campaign risk. In this regard, we also made a case for expedited approval or "no objection" for certain campaign activities that were time bound especially in the context of the tight campaign timeline.  GF as of today have given approval for NMCP and Plan international to	

- Printing of logistics tools, vouchers, communication and M&E materials as well as PPEs in accordance with the PR's Procurement Policy & Regulations and Global Fund Grant Agreements
- Procurement of district warehouses and transportation of ITNs from district level.
- The GF country team is also reviewing the request made by NMCP for permission to commence micro planning activities from central to county level; conduct county entry meetings; and procurement of vehicle hiring and fuel for the monitoring of the assessment and distribution. The CT have assured they would provide feedback on this within the week.
- For the non-objection request to proceed and finalize the arrangement for central level warehousing and transportation of ITNs from central level to districts, the GF — with support from the LFA- is currently reviewing the procurement document that was submitted to the Global Fund last week and will provide feedback to the MoH at the end of the review process (within the week)

Madagascar	
Country summary	<ul><li>AMP is providing two waves of support</li><li>1) Development of a Road Map</li><li>2) Draft PoA</li></ul>
March 3 <sup>rd</sup> update	<ul> <li>AMP has provided feedback on the Plan of Action</li> <li>New NMCP manager is in place with a new team</li> </ul>

ountry	Campaign summary table	
ummary	Target population	16,665,561
	Scale of campaign	25 districts out of 29 Malawi districts (4 IRS districts excluded)
	Total number of ITNs	9,258,645
		3,749,406 IG2 nets
	Breakdown of nets	516,677 Royal Guard nets
		4,992,562 PBO nets
	Date planned for microplanning	Starting last week of March 2021
	Date planned for HHR	June 2021
	Date planned for ITN distribution	September 2021

campaign are Mangochi, Balaka, Nkhotakota and Nkhatabay districts that will benefit from the indoor

residual spraying program. The total quantity of ITNs to be procured for distributed in the 25 targeted districts as (estimated using projected census data) is 9,258,645. There is no buffer that has been procured since the last census is less than 10 years old.

- The 2021 campaign will employ a two-phased fixed site distribution strategy with a door-to-door household registration to determine the numbers of households in every community and the number of people in each of those households followed by fixed site distribution almost 3 months later.
- They will not use vouchers and will instead use their registration books to identify recipients at the distribution points.

## March 3rd update

- The Malawi technical subcommittee (TSC) is currently reviewing the implementation guidelines based on the feedback from the AMP TA providers.
- The TSC decided that each household registration team will man a separate distribution point within the distribution sites. This is an attempt to increase the feasibility of a one-day distribution. Increased DPs should also reduce crowding.
- As a result of discussions and recommendations from the AMP TAs, Malawi team is to adopt 2 days distribution in urban areas. Nets are to be sent from the cluster warehouses to the distribution sites on a daily basis.
- The TSC has also decided to pilot a single-phase distribution in two communities, namely, Lupachi and Chauma. These two communities were supposed to be covered by IRS, but were left out due to their hard-to-reach conditions, so the Malawi team wants to include them in the upcoming distribution of nets. The Malawi team has agreed to have a separate working session to plan this single-phase approach to have a common understanding of what it entails and then address logistics, SBC and program challenges for its implementation.
- Malawi logistics subcommittee (LSC)is to share the information on the identified 13 cluster warehouses in order to complete a preposition plan by type of nets, and avoiding mixing the different types of nets during reception.
- The Malawi national task force has already engaged the MOH procurement implementation unit in the process of the selection of the logistics service provider based on the TORs that were developed last week.
- The risk analysis and mitigation plan (RAMP) is in draft form and is to be shared, discussed and updated with the Malawi team.
- The Malaria Indicator Survey is starting on Friday this week. Field teams will be briefed on Thursday after which they will head to the field. It is expected that the exercise will be completed around June/July 2021. The country's position is that MIS should not be tied to any intervention (whether mass campaign or IRS) as this gives the wrong picture on what is happening on the ground therefore it will be implemented just before the campaign.
- The SBC subcommittee (SBCSC) is currently reviewing the implementation guidelines based on the feedback from AMP TA providers. The SBC subcommittee will continue with the review ensuring that COVID-19 context is incorporated into the activities.
- The is need for further discussions around how health education will be undertaken at the distribution site given that there will be an increase in the number of distribution points for each distribution site. There are ongoing discussions around this, to ensure that the households are served at an efficient and constant rate so that there is proper crowd control and physical distancing is observed at all times.
- The SBCSC has been requested to review the need for undertaking a situational analysis given that there are many studies that have been done between 2018 and 2019 that could provide the same information and the information being sought is from three years ago. Unless the SBCSC can demonstrate its necessity, the funds for this activity should be channel to post-distribution SBC activities.

- The need to have funds for post distribution SBC has been flagged as critical without which act of distributing nets might not achieve the desired results.
- The SBCSC has also been advised to review its planned activities carefully for COVID-19 risks. Eg having a large public campaign launch
- TAs are currently supporting the Malawi team with the update of macro quantification table for the campaign activities and budget. Draft macro-quantification is complete and can be reviewed by the TSC during the upcoming TAs' hiatus.
- The LSC has been told to speed up their review of the guideline.
- There is a draft timeline in place but it became obsolete today after new information was provided on the scheduled MIS

Nigeria	
Country summary	<ul> <li>Preparing lessons learned meeting</li> <li>Have 9 state level ITN campaigns planned</li> <li>5 funded by USAID</li> <li>4 funded by GF</li> <li>AMP will support the following evaluations:         <ul> <li>End process data</li> <li>Costing evaluation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Country has completed lessons learned from 2020. This exercise will guide implementation of activities in 2021</li> <li>February the first micro planning is planned.</li> <li>Micro planning should be completed during the first quarter of 2021</li> <li>ITNs have started to arrive in the country</li> </ul>

Niger	
Country summary	<ul> <li>NMCP has been in contact with AMP and may request support</li> <li>AMP will provide the CV's of a number of AMP TA providers to support NMCP's decision making.</li> </ul>

Pakistan	
Country summary	<ul> <li>Completed ITN distribution on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup></li> <li>Experiences a lot of challenges and delays</li> <li>Good collaboration with the military</li> <li>In 2021 country is planning the distribution of 4.1 million ITNs (the largest to date)</li> </ul>
March 3 <sup>rd</sup> update	<ul> <li>Just starting vaccination campaign</li> <li>2.1 million ITNs in country</li> <li>Quality of ITNs is under discussion</li> <li>1.9 million procured but delayed</li> <li>Country will make a TA request</li> </ul>

### South Sudan

Country summary	

Uganda	
Country summary	<ul> <li>13 million ITNs have been distributed.</li> <li>In 2020 the MoH and partners discussed and captured more lessons learned and made revisions at the each phase of the distribution</li> <li>This process sharing of lessons learned by wave of distribution was an improvement from earlier distributions.</li> <li>Waves of distribution have allowed for lessons learned and improvement</li> </ul>

Zambia		
<b>Country summary</b>		
March 3 <sup>rd</sup> update	<ul> <li>Distribution completed in all provinces except Lusaka</li> <li>Over 95% of ITNs planned for the campaign have reached households</li> <li>In some areas, IRS teams were unable to reach households because of rains and access problems - they are working on ensuring that these households will have access to ITNs so that every household has been covered with vector control</li> <li>DHIS2 was used from the district level</li> <li>Post distribution monitoring is underway</li> <li>Ketty will hopefully give a presentation on the AMP partners call in April when all activities are completed</li> </ul>	