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Expanding the ownership and use of mosquito nets

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Context: Guinea-Bissau is implementing a Universal Coverage LLIN distribution campaign planned for an estimated population of 1 821 040. In compliance with the three-year replacement cycle to maintain universal coverage the 2017 campaign is a follow up to the 2014 LLIN universal distribution campaign.

After quantification for a universal coverage campaign (population/1,8) based on giving 1 net per 2 people, a purchase of 1,112,858 LLINs was processed. The nets arrived in country, and the containers have been in secured storage awaiting shipment from Bissau to regions, health areas and eventually Distribution Points for a distribution planned at end of May.

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Overall campaign planning and implementation:

- Household registration visits to an estimated 464 028 households will be carried out from April 24 to 30th;
- A media information blitz was launched to inform the population of the household registration activities. Radio and TV messages have also been promoting LLIN use;
- Monitoring of household registration by independent monitors is scheduled to start 2 days after the beginning of household registration activities;

Logistics/supply chain:

- Transport of LLINs to Health Centre areas will be 3-4 weeks (May 1st) before distribution in anticipation of the the cashew harvest which will thereafter co-opt transport capacity;
- The positioning strategy will have the LLINs in 117 Health Centre storage facilities till the week before distribution. They then will be delivered to the estimated 1 463 Distribution Points at the end of May.
- Training of trainers for central level logistics sub-committee was in early March and the local Health Centre area personnel were thereafter trained at regional level by the central level trainers;
- Security for LLIN storage has been negotiated in rental contracts or is part of Health facility security measures.

The week ahead

- Review procurement issues related to supplies for household registration and encourage communication between various partners to encounter solutions;
- Review storage space assessment results, identify of those areas without sufficient space end initiate actions to encounter sufficient storage before transport from Bissau;
- Support the contracting process so that transporters can initiate positioning to Health Centre areas ASAP;
- Participate in review of household registration monitoring results.