AMP The Alliance for Malaria Prevention

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.

Consultant in country: Jean Marc Grégoire from April 24th to May 13th, 2017

Overall campaign planning and implementation:

- After the micro-planning exercise population has been projected at 2 128 864 with a corresponding need of 1 182 702 LLINs. If Household registration confirms this increase LLINs will be taken from routine reserve stock and used in the 2017 campaign;
- Household registration visits to an estimated 464 028 households was planned from April 24 to 30th. Delays
 due to late delivery of materials (principally coupons) have extended the exercise. As of May 9th household
 registration activities are completed in all but a few areas of the greater Bissau area;

Logistics/supply chain:

- Transport providers for shipment of 24 LLIN containers to Health Centre areas have been selected.
- Teams have been selected and briefed on procedures for inventory and reception of LLINs from the containers before their dispatch to the 117 Health Centre areas;

The weeks ahead

- A 2 day validation exercise of household registration results supported by data from the independent monitors reports;
- Transport of LLINs from Bissau will start May 12th and pre-positioning to Health centres should be complete by May 22nd, so that final positioning to the estimated 1 463 Distribution Points be done from May 25th to 29th;
- Training of Distribution Point personnel is planned for May 26th and 27th.
- Distribution of LLINs to beneficiaries is still programmed for May 31st to June 4th.