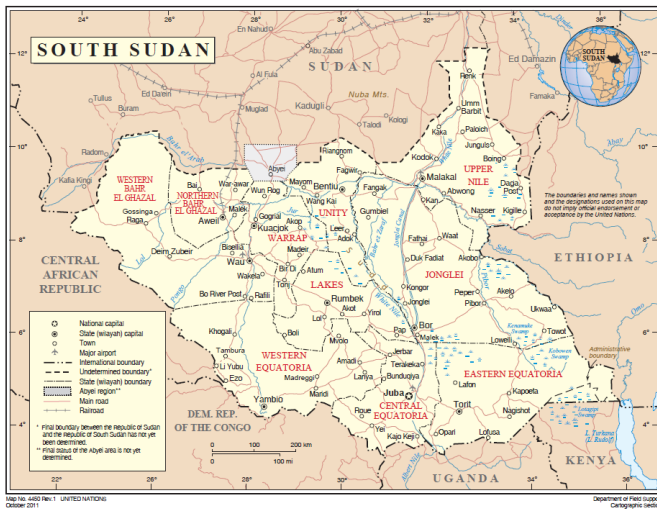


South Sudan ALMA Quarterly Report Quarter Two, 2023



Scorecard for Accountability and Action



Metrics

Commodities Financed	
LLIN financing 2023 projection (% of need)	69
Public sector RDT financing 2023 projection (% of need)	100
Public sector ACT financing 2023 projection (% of need)	68
Policy	
Signed, ratified and deposited the AMA instrument at the AUC	
Malaria activities targeting refugees in Malaria Strategic Plan	
Malaria activities targeting IDPs in Malaria Strategic Plan	
Zero Malaria Starts With Me Launched	
End Malaria Council and Fund Launched	
Resistance Monitoring, Implementation and Impact	
Drug Resistance Monitoring Conducted (2018-2020) and data reported to WHO	
Insecticide classes with mosquito resistance in representative sentinel sites confirmed since 2010	0
Insecticide resistance monitored since 2015 and data reported to WHO	
National Insecticide Resistance Monitoring and Management Plan	
RDTs in stock (>6 months stock)	
ACTs in stock (>6 months stock)	
LLIN/IRS campaign on track	
Operational LLIN/IRS coverage (% of at risk population)	100
On track to reduce case incidence by ≥40% by 2021 (vs 2015)	
On track to reduce case mortality by ≥40% by 2021 (vs 2015)	
Tracer Indicators for Maternal and Child Health, NTDs and Covid 19	
Scale of Implementation of iccM	
Mass Treatment Coverage for Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD index, %)(2021)	19
Estimated % of children (0–14 years old) living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2022)	18
Vitamin A Coverage 2021 (2 doses)	90
DPT3 coverage 2022 (vaccination among 0-11 month olds)	73

Key

	Target achieved or on track
	Progress but more effort required
	Not on track
	No data
	Not applicable

Malaria transmission in South Sudan is generally perennial, with moderate to high intensity. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2021 was 3,149,649 and 4,220 deaths

Malaria

Progress

The country continues to work on strengthening and maintaining health services following the devastating impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. In this regard, South Sudan secured the resources needed to achieve universal coverage of RDTs in 2023. The country has also distributed sufficient LLINs to achieve universal operational coverage of the targeted at risk population. South Sudan has completed the insecticide resistance monitoring and management plan. The country has also recently launched the Zero Malaria Starts with Me campaign. The country should consider establishing an End Malaria Council and Fund to enhance domestic resource mobilization and multi-sectoral action.

Impact

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2021 was 3,149,649 and 4,220 deaths

Key Challenge

- Insufficient resources to fully implement the malaria national strategic plan.

Previous Key Recommended Actions

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
Policy	Sign, ratify and deposit the AMA instrument at the AUC	Q1 2023		No progress reported

South Sudan has responded positively to the recommended action on drug and insecticide resistance monitoring and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

RMNCAH and NTDs

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in South Sudan is measured using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for lymphatic filariasis, onchocerciasis, schistosomiasis, soil transmitted helminths and trachoma. In 2021, preventive chemotherapy coverage was 62% for onchocerciasis, 53% for lymphatic filariasis, 35% for soil transmitted helminthiasis, 21% for trachoma and 1% for schistosomiasis. Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for South Sudan in 2021 is 19 which represents a substantial increase compared with the 2020 index value (2).

Previous Key Recommended Actions

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
NTDs	Work to increase preventive chemotherapy coverage for all NTDs, particularly for schistosomiasis, soil transmitted helminths and trachoma to reach WHO targets	Q4 2023		The country conducted MDAs for onchocerciasis, Lymphatic Filariasis and Soil Transmitted Helminthiasis in June 2022 with the following coverages: Onchocerciasis 68.7%; LF: 66.3% and STH:66.3%. The country is working to mobilize funds for Schistosomiasis MDA as no medicines and no distribution funds available in country. In May 2023, the country also started the 2023 MDAs and has just completed the first phase of onchocerciasis, Lymphatic Filariasis and Soil Transmitted Helminthiasis MDAs. The second phase is under preparation and reports will be shared at the end of the MDAs. The country is also implementing other routine activities and is working hard to have NTD indicators integrated into DHIS2.

South Sudan has responded positively to the recommended actions addressing low coverage of ARTs in children, with small increases in coverage recorded over the last year, and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

Key

	Action achieved
	Some progress
	No progress
	Deliverable not yet due