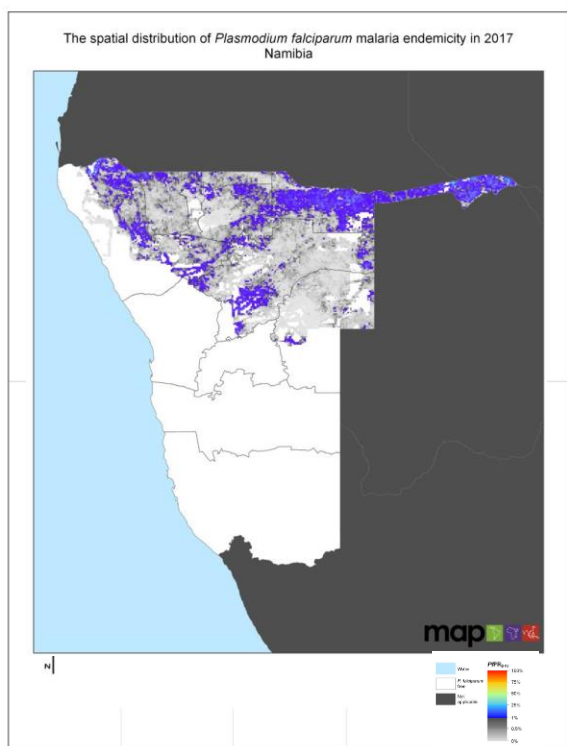


### Scorecard for Accountability and Action



#### Metrics

Commodities Financed		
IRS financing 2022 (% of at-risk population)	60	
Public sector RDT financing 2022 projection (% of need)	100	
Public sector ACT financing 2022 projection (% of need)	100	
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		
Country Reporting Launch of Zero Malaria Starts with Me Campaign		
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	2	
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		
IRS Operational Coverage (%)	23	
On track to reduce case incidence by ≥40% by 2020 (vs 2015)		
On track to reduce case mortality by ≥40% by 2020 (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, %)(2020)	0	
Estimated % of children (0–14 years old) living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2021)	81	
Vitamin A Coverage 2020 (2 doses)		
DPT3 coverage 2021 (vaccination among 0-11 month olds)	93	
% Population Fully Vaccinated Against COVID-19	12	

#### Key

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

Malaria transmission is confined to the north-east part of Namibia where malaria is endemic and about 72% of the population of the country is at risk. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2020 was 13,636 with 16 deaths.

## **Sustaining Essential Health Services During the COVID-19 Pandemic**

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted routine health services considerably, and the economic impacts continue to hamper health systems recovery. It is vitally important that we focus on recovering lost ground in delivering essential life-saving interventions during this difficult time, sustaining progress towards the SDG targets for Malaria, Neglected Tropical Diseases and Reproductive, Maternal, New-born, Child and Adolescent health.

Given the difficulties in securing essential health commodities in Africa during the COVID-19 pandemic, it is of vital importance that countries sign, ratify and deposit the African Medicines Agency (AMA) instrument with the AUC in order to improve access to quality, safe and efficacious medical products in Africa. The country is congratulated for doing this. The country is encouraged to do this. Early procurement of essential health commodities is also highly recommended whilst long delivery times persist.

The country has been affected by the continent-wide restriction of access to COVID-19 vaccines and had only been able to cover 12% of their population by October 2022. The country, working with partners, should invest in education and behaviour change communication to increase the uptake of COVID vaccines and therapeutics.

## **Malaria**

### **Progress**

Namibia secured sufficient funding for the required number of ACTs and RDTs for 2022 and has sufficient stocks of ACTs and RDTs. The country has reported the insecticide resistance data to WHO. Namibia has recently launched the Zero Malaria Starts with Me campaign.

In line with the priority agenda of the ALMA chair, His Excellency President Umaro Sissoco Embaló, Namibia has enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of the Malaria Elimination Scorecard, however this is not yet shared to the ALMA Scorecard Hub. The country has established End Malaria Councils at sub-national level.

### **Impact**

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2020 was 13,636 with 16 deaths.

### **Key Challenges**

- Maintaining malaria high on the political and funding agenda.
- There is a need to strengthen cross border collaboration with neighbouring countries.
- Sustaining the delivery of essential life-saving interventions during the COVID-19 pandemic including for Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Adolescent and Child health, malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases.

## Previous Key Recommended Actions

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
Impact	Ensure that malaria services including case management and vector control are sustained and implemented whilst using COVID-19 sensitive guidelines during the pandemic	Q4 2022		Namibia has sufficient insecticides for the IRS campaign for 2022 /2023. Namibia has sufficient stocks of ACTs and RDTs. The only stock-out experienced was at Health Facility level due to poor stock management. Regarding the planned 2022/2023 IRS campaign, the programme has sufficient supplies of insecticides, field teams have been trained, communities sensitized and the campaign launched this week (last week of September)
Vector Control	Ensure the IRS commodities are procured in time for the 2021 IRS campaigns	Q3 2021		Namibia has sufficient insecticides for the IRS campaign for 2022/2023

Namibia has responded positively to the recommended action on addressing the lack of data on iCCM and continues to strengthen access to treatment of malaria, pneumonia and diarrhoea.

## RMNCAH and NTDs

### Progress

Namibia has recently increased coverage of ARTs in children 0-14. The country has enhanced tracking and accountability mechanisms with the development of a Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health Scorecard.

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Namibia is shown using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for schistosomiasis and soil transmitted helminths. In 2020, preventive chemotherapy coverage in Namibia was 0% for the two diseases. Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Namibia in 2020 is 0, with no change compared with the 2019 index value of 0.

## Previous Key Recommended Actions

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
RMNCAH <sup>1</sup> : Impact	Ensure that essential RMNCAH services are sustained and implemented whilst using COVID-19 sensitive guidelines during the pandemic. Address any stock-outs of essential RMNCAH commodities	Q4 2022		WHO guidelines for continuity of essential services are currently being reviewed and revised in the context of the current circumstances relating to the pandemic. These are expected to be completed at the end of the financial year.
NTDs	Ensure that NTD interventions including Mass Drug Administration, vector control and Morbidity Management and Disability Prevention are sustained and implemented whilst using COVID-19	Q4 2022		The country is conducting only NTD routine activities including NTD case management at health facility level whilst respecting COVID-19 preventive measures. Since 2020, the country has not organized MDA due to the WHO

<sup>1</sup> RMNCAH metrics, recommended actions and response tracked through WHO

	sensitive guidelines during the pandemic. This includes prioritising key necessary catch-up activities			recommendation to wait for the taeniasis prevalence survey. The country is waiting for WHO support
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Namibia has responded positively to the RMNCAH recommended action addressing the lack of data on vitamin A coverage.

**Key**

	Action achieved
	Some progress
	No progress
	Deliverable not yet due