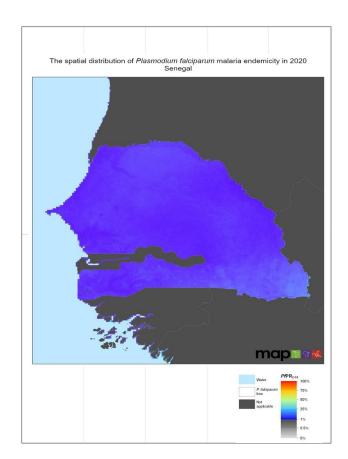
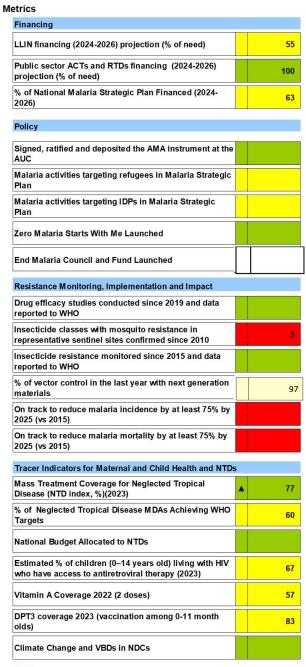
# Senegal ALMA Quarterly Report Quarter Four, 2024



### Scorecard for Accountability and Action





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### Key



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## **Malaria**

Africa is at the centre of a perfect storm that threatens to disrupt malaria services and undo decades of progress. We must act urgently to both prevent and mitigate the adverse effects of the ongoing global financial crisis, increasing biological threats, climate change, and humanitarian crises. These threats represent the most serious emergency facing malaria in 20 years and will lead to malaria upsurges and epidemics if not addressed. AU Member States face a \$1.5 billion gap just to sustain existing, yet inadequate, levels of malaria-related services between now and 2026. To get back on track and eliminate malaria, we will need to mobilise another \$5.2 billion dollars annually to fully finance our national malaria plans. Climate change presents a significant threat to the progress that we have made. Africa is disproportionately exposed to the risks of climate change and by the 2030s, 150 million additional people will be at risk of malaria because of warmer temperatures and increased rainfall. Climate disasters displace millions and destroy roads and health facilities, reducing access to health services. There is urgency to decarbonise and reduce our carbon footprint. We must implement integrated and multisectoral solutions, and adapt our health systems to the threats of both climate change and pandemics. We must also take action to confront the threats of insecticide and drug resistance, reduced efficacy of rapid diagnostic tests, and the Anopheles stephensi mosquito which spreads malaria in both urban and rural areas. The good news is that the malaria toolkit continues to expand. WHO has approved the use of dual-insecticide mosquito nets that are 43% more effective than traditional mosquito nets and will address the impact of insecticide-resistance. New medicines for treating malaria and two malaria vaccines for children have also been approved with an increasing number of countries deploying these new tools. The scaling up of these interventions will help us achieve our goal of eliminating malaria. This will require integrated approaches with malaria as a pathfinder for pandemic preparedness, climate change and health, Primary Health Care and Universal Health Coverage. We must work to sustain and increase domestic resource commitments including through multisectoral End Malaria and NTD councils and Funds, which have raised over US\$125 million.

### **Progress**

Senegal has carried out insecticide resistance monitoring since 2015 and has reported the results to WHO, and in response to the identified insecticide resistance has scaled up next generation mosquito nets. The country has also carried out drug resistance testing. Senegal has secured sufficient resources for ACTs and RDTs for 2024-26 but has significant gaps to fully implement the national strategic plan. Senegal was the first country to launch the Zero Malaria Starts with Me campaign.

In line with the priority agenda of the ALMA chair, His Excellency President Umaro Sissoco Embaló, Senegal has significantly enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of a Malaria Control and Elimination Scorecard, although the scorecard has not yet been posted to the ALMA Scorecard Hub. 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 2023 was 232,465 and 199 deaths.

### **Key Challenge**

Insufficient resources to fully implement the malaria national strategic plan.

**New Key Recommended Action** 

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe
Impact	Investigate and address the reasons for the lack of progress in reducing malaria incidence and deaths since 2015, which means that the country is not on track to achieve the 2025 target of a 75% reduction in malaria incidence and deaths	Q4 2025

# Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Adolescent and Child Health

## **Progress**

The country has enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms with the development of the Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health Scorecard.

# **Neglected Tropical Diseases Progress**

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Senegal is measured using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for lymphatic filariasis, onchocerciasis, schistosomiasis, soil transmitted helminths and trachoma. In 2023, preventive chemotherapy coverage was 100% for trachoma and for onchocerciasis (under surveillance), 65% for schistosomiasis, 73% for lymphatic filariasis and 58% for soil transmitted helminths. Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Senegal in 2023 is 77, which represents a very substantial increase compared with the 2022 index value (20). The country did not reach WHO MDA targets for schistosomiasis and soil transmitted helminthiasis in 2023. Senegal has included Vector-borne diseases in the country Nationally Determined Contributions and has created an NTD budget line.

