



November 6

MALARIA

Day in the Americas

Counting Malaria Out: Promoting Best Practices and Collaboration

Malaria Day in the Americas 2010 List of Some Country Events

BELIZE

The Ministry of Health, with the support of PAHO, commemorates Malaria Day in the Americas this week by holding activities in 3 of the most impacted communities - Barton Creek in the Cayo District, Trio in Stann Creek and Corazon in the Toledo District. Activities include distribution of bed nets and presentations.

BOLIVIA

- Protocol event in the Epidemiology Unit of the Ministry of Health (MOH) on Friday, November 5, 2010. Participants include key leaders and stakeholders, including representatives from PAHO Bolivia.
- Publication of malaria-related goals and achievements of the last two administrations in the Epidemiology Bulletin.
- Distribute calendars to health personnel with epidemiological information, including malaria.

EL SALVADOR

El Salvador commemorates Malaria Day in the Americas through an event at MSPAS on November 4th featuring the following presentations:

- Message of the Minister of Health (or delegate) regarding Malaria Day in the Americas.
- Regional situation of Malaria.
- Malaria in El Salvador
- “Cuenta regresiva del paludismo” - Promoviendo Mejores Prácticas y Colaboración

ECUADOR

Activities for Malaria Day in the Americas will be conducted on Friday, November 5, 2010. Events include:

- 9 a.m.: Solemn Session with civil, public and religious authorities.
- 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Institutional Parade through the main street in Guayaquil. The team has two banners, one related to Malaria Day in the Americas, and the other with a design related to the conferment of recognition to Ecuador as Malaria Champion of the Americas in 2009
- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Open House at Malecón 2000, a popular place in Guayaquil, where they will exhibit information about malaria control activities in Ecuador.

GUATEMALA

The National Coordination of Vectors, in coordination with the Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare, will hold a press conference Friday, November 5th where they will report on the achievements of targets in the prevention and control of malaria and to officially present the support from the Global Fund.

GUYANA

The Ministry of Health, with the support of PAHO and other partners commemorates Malaria Day in the Americas with a number of events happening over a month-long span:

- Launch Malaria Day in the Americas in Regions 1, 7, 8 and 9. These events are opportunities to further promote the treatment, prevention, and control of malaria. Main event will take place in Region 1 where there has been a significant increase in malaria cases.
- The month-long commemoration includes different activities scheduled for November 6, 10, and 17 with participation of various health personnel and community leaders and possible distribution of bed nets

PERU

Activities for Malaria Day in the Americas are scheduled in the Cajamarca, Piura, Tumbes, Loreto, Madre de Dios, and La Libertad regions specifically because malaria is prevalent in these areas

PANAMA:

As November 6th coincides with a national holiday, Malaria Day in the Americas will be commemorated in the country on November 19th through a workshop- meeting: “TALLER MULTISECTORIAL INTERDISCIPLINARIO CON SOCIOS Y COOPERANTES” at Hotel Miramar, Avenida Balboa Ciudad de Panamá

SURINAME

Commemoration of Malaria Day includes the following events:

- November 14 – Seminar on, *Malaria in Suriname: Lessons Learned and Forward (Next Steps)*.
- Evaluation of Malaria Control. Specific dates for this event are being discussed pending the availability of target participants that includes the Global Fund, MOH, and PAHO Suriname.