## **PMI Strategy 2015-2020**



#### President's Malaria Initiative

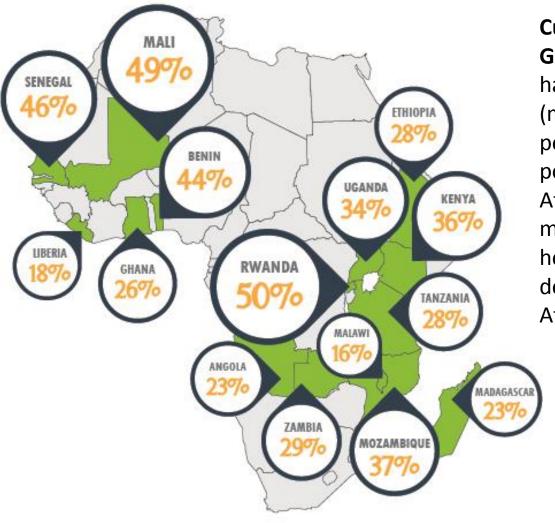
- Launched in 2005
  - Initial goal: Reduce malaria burden by 50% in 15 countries in sub-Saharan Africa
- In 2008, USG Malaria Strategy was updated in line with Hyde-Lantos Authorization
  - Goal revised to reduce malaria burden by 50% in 70% of the population in sub-Saharan Africa
  - Included expansion to up to five additional countries



### **Progress with PMI**

- PMI expanded to 19 countries in sub-Saharan Africa, including Nigeria and DRC
- PMI expanded efforts to combat drug resistance in the Mekong Region
- Funding increased from <\$100 to \$665 million</li>
  (FY 14) per year
- PMI has made significant progress in scaling up key interventions and reducing mortality (in some cases morbidity)

#### Reductions in All-Cause Mortality Rates of Children Under Five



#### **Current USG Malaria Strategy**

Goal: Work with partners to halve the burden of malaria (morbidity and mortality) in 70 percent of the at-risk populations of sub-Saharan Africa, thereby removing malaria as a major public health problem and promoting development throughout the African region.

Note: All 15 original PMI focus countries included in this figure have at least two data points from nationwide household surveys that measured all-cause mortality in children under the age of five. Refer to Appendix 3 (Figure I) for more detail.

#### **Current Status of PMI Countries**

- Almost all PMI countries have seen their malaria burden reduced
- Some countries are shifting goals and targets, emphasizing both further mortality reduction and morbidity reduction, with an eye towards elimination
- PMI's support for health system strengthening and capacity building (leveraging support from other USAID health programs and other donor/partner investments) has begun to show results in some countries



### **New Challenges**

- Progress between and within countries has been uneven
- Resistance to pyrethroids and some other classes of insecticides now widespread
- LLINs less durable than anticipated
- Resistance to artemisinin intensifying and spreading throughout the Mekong
- Substandard and counterfeit malaria treatments remains an ongoing challenge

### **New Tools and Approaches**

- New and potential preventive strategies
  - Seasonal malaria chemoprevention
  - Active and reactive case detection
  - Mass drug administration
  - Intermittent screening and treatment of pregnant women
- New and potential tools
  - Organophosphate insecticides
  - Next generation LLINs
  - New malaria treatments in Phase II/III trials
  - Vaccine?



### **PMI Strategy 2015-2020**

#### **Vision**

A world without malaria

#### Goal

Work with PMI-supported countries and partners to further reduce malaria deaths towards achieving the global goal of near zero deaths and substantially decrease malaria morbidity towards the long-term goal of elimination

## **Objectives**

- 1. Reduce malaria mortality by one-third from 2015 levels in PMI focus countries, achieving a greater than 80% reduction from PMI's original baseline levels
- 2. Reduce malaria morbidity in PMI countries by 40% from 2015 levels
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## GTS Intermediate Milestones for 2020

- To reduce malaria mortality rates globally by at least 40% compared with 2015
- To reduce malaria clinical case incidence globally by at least
  40% compared with 2015
- 3. To eliminate malaria from at least 10 countries that had transmission of malaria in 2015, and ensure prevention of reestablishment in countries that are malaria free



### **Areas for Strategic Focus**

- Achieving and sustaining scale of proven interventions
- Adapting to new epidemiology and incorporating new tools
- Improving country capacity to collect and use information
- Mitigating risks against the current malaria control gains
- 5. Building capacity and strengthening health systems

# Achieving and sustaining scale of proven interventions

- Many countries have significantly increased coverage of ITNs and IRS
- Coverage of diagnosis and treatment and MIP interventions lagging, but improving
- Coverage levels could improve in almost all countries
- Failure to maintain high level coverage has led to resurgence in multiple countries (e.g. Sri Lanka, Zanzibar, Sao Tome e Principe, and Zambia)



# Adapting to new epidemiology and incorporating new tools

- Progress in countries has been uneven
  - Hot spots, hot populations, and epidemic-prone areas
  - Increased tailoring/targeting of interventions needed
- Current core approaches (i.e. ITNs, IRS, MIP, Case Mgmt)
  probably insufficient to achieve elimination in many countries
- New tools
  - Organophosphate insecticides and next generation LLINs
  - Potential new treatments and more sensitive diagnostics
- Possible new approaches (if proven effective and feasible)
  - SMC
  - Active and Reactive Case Detection
  - MDA or MSAT



# Improving country capacity to collect and use information

- More timely, complete, and accurate data on malaria cases will be required from country surveillance systems
  - To monitor real-time trends in malaria morbidity and mortality
  - For detection of and response to epidemics
  - For targeting of interventions and resources
  - To evaluate the ongoing effectiveness of current control strategies
- Countries moving to elimination will require individual case reporting to enable the use of strategies, such as reactive case detection

# Mitigating risks against the current malaria control gains

- Both insecticide and ACT resistance pose serious threats to the core malaria control approaches
- Mitigating these threats will include:
  - Consistent monitoring of insecticide susceptibility and therapeutic efficacy
  - Employing strategies to limit or target use
    - Rotating or selectively deploying insecticides
    - Limiting treatment to only diagnostically-confirmed cases
- Intensified efforts to remove substandard/counterfeit drugs
- New approaches to sustain appropriate behaviors as burden drops



### Building capacity and health systems

- Success in scaling-up malaria control interventions relies heavily on having the skilled human capacity and health systems to deliver and monitor those interventions
- PMI already invests in building key systems, including:
  - Drug procurement and management systems
  - Entomologic monitoring and clinical laboratory services
  - Surveillance and M&E systems
- As countries move to elimination, health systems will increasingly have to deliver commodities and services to the most difficult to reach populations and collect more complete and timely information



# What can be anticipated for USAID malaria investments in the LAC Region?

- PMI is the main focus for USG Malaria Control efforts
  - PMI will remain mainly focused on bilateral support to current
    PMI countries in Africa
- However, USAID will continue to engage technically and financially in the region
  - Anticipate modest but stable investments to continue that will focus on support for priority needs for the region
- Development of the strategy and programming approach for USAID investment in the region will follow PAHO's finalization of the new WHO regional Malaria strategy





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