Anopheles stephensi Task Team

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Introduction

• Threatens current vector control toolbox
• Rapid and systematic data-driven response needed

Objectives:
• Encourage cross-border coordination and collaboration
• Ensure rapid and informed progress on mitigation/containment/elimination
• Ensure lessons learned can be transferred/shared
• Identify clear action items for near future
Consensus statement: Global Vector Control Response to invasive *Anopheles stephensi*
Anopheles stephensi: a growing threat

Consensus Statement

- Joint initiative of RBM VCWG and MSWG recognizing the urgency of the need to respond to *An. stephensi*

- Calls on RBM partners and others to support the fight against *An. stephensi*

- Aims to support work of WHO, UN-Habitat and others by facilitating sharing of knowledge and best practices
How can VCWG/MSWG support the response to *An. stephensi*. GVCR pillars of action

1. Strengthening inter- and intra-sectoral action and collaboration
   - Support multisectoral collaboration through sharing guidelines and best practices, and supporting project formulation and access to financing

2. Enhancing vector surveillance and monitoring and evaluation of interventions
   - Facilitate networking between universities/research institutes and national programs
   - Share guidelines on vector ID
How can VCWG/MSWG support the response to *An. stephensi*: GVCR pillars of action

3. Scaling up and integrating tools and approaches
   - Support information sharing on new and existing products, delivery approaches, and monitoring and evaluation

4. Engaging and mobilising communities
   - Share information on SBCC for *An. stephensi* control
   - Advocate for the importance of human behaviour for effective control
   - Collate information on social science experts to support research and programs
   - Share best practices from community-based source reduction programs for *Ae. aegypti*
How can VCWG/MSWG support the response to *An. stephensi*: GVCR foundations/enabling factors

**Enhance vector control capacity and capability**
- Facilitate networking between centers of excellence, training and research institutions to build human and laboratory capacities for *An. stephensi* surveillance and control

**Increase basic and applied research**
- Forum for networking and sharing data
- Facilitate identification of research gaps

- Country leadership
- Advocacy, resource mobilisation, partner coordination
- Regulatory, policy, normative support
What next?

• Please share the Consensus Statement widely
• Comments and thoughts welcome on how we can make the Consensus Statement actionable
• Join the Task Team

Thank you!

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