11th Meeting of Continuous LLIN Distribution Systems Work Stream

Discussions and way forward

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Continuous Distribution of LLIN

Based on assumption that sustained, high
 LLIN coverage is necessary for elimination

Thus requires

- Effective distribution methods for settings
- Efficiency in filling gaps (time & space)
- Equity to ensure most vulnerable are served

Immediate past activities

- NetCALC tool and Assessment Guide to choose elements of a continuous distribution strategy
- Pilots
 - School distribution in Ghana, Nigeria
 - Community distribution in S. Sudan, Nigeria,
 Madagascar

Over all Conclusions - Pilots

- Efficient: CD channels fill gaps without oversupplying
- Effective: Increases ownership: both at 1 LLIN level, and more importantly, households with enough nets
- Equity: Can be equitable

This first evidence on CD is encouraging and should motivate countries and programs to test more comprehensive CD approaches with thorough evaluation

Outstanding Questions

- Can CD sustain UC over longer periods of time?
- What parts of the population are not reached at all by these channels?
- Inter-household re-allocation: how can we influence households to share excess nets?
- Costing considerations
 - balancing management costs with coverage
 - efficiency (finding a robust pipe into community)
 - Finding the right metric to compare costs

Discussions/Workplan

- Conduct OR to look at cost issues compare different CD mechanisms
- Produce standard methodology (templates, spreadsheets) to assist countries document costs
- Assist in incorporating strong evaluation into CD activities in countries
- Produce an algorithm, to compliment NetCALC, that helps countries move through a decision tree to figure out the best CD strategy for their context

Discussions/Workplan

- OR to understand: What populations are being missed by the existing CD strategies commonly used
- Role of Private sector in continuous distribution. Create a small group to work on this. Include manufacturers
- Clarify/interpret technical guidance to country teams

Discussions/Workplan

- Join HWG at meetings targeting countries.
 Train AMP consultants and other TA consultants. Package CD guidance for country teams
- Look for opportunity to test full-scale CD over 2-3 years.
- Continue discussion on stratification and prioritization
 - Inform policy