



**Sothern African Regional Network
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**SARN MISSION REPORT TO ZIMBABWE ON WORKSHOP TO FINALIZE THE
MEDIUM-TERM AND ANNUAL REVIEW AND PLANNING TOOLS FOR
NATIONAL MALARIA PROGRAMMES IN AFRICA**

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1.0 BACKGROUND

WHO/AFRO has taken the leadership in malaria programme reviews and strategic planning since 2009. Since then programme reviews and strategic planning for malaria control has become central to resource mobilization from domestic and international partners such as national governments, the Global Fund and other bilateral agencies such as DFID and the American Government. Almost all malaria endemic countries have had their programmes reviewed and their strategic plans development and most of them are aligned to their national health sector strategic plans.

In addition to malaria strategic plans there is need for annual reviews and plans for the programmes to operationalise these important strategic documents. This is also a critical platform to improve the quality and use of routine and non-routine data by the malaria programmes for programme decision making.

This workshop was organised by WHO IST ESA in collaboration with WHO AFRO and the Roll Back Malaria Partnership Secretariat in collaboration with EARN/SARN Secretariat with financial support from RBM Secretariat.

The workshop was attended by WHO IST staff (ESA, Central and West Africa), WHO AFRO staff, WHO GMP, RBM Secretariat Staff, EARN/SARN, RBM representatives who have been involved in the field in working on the annual plans, NPOs (Nigeria, Zambia and Zimbabwe) and one programme manager (Kenya).



Workshop Group Photo

2.0 OBJECTIVES

2.1 General Objective

The main objective of the workshop was to develop a trial version of the annual review and planning manual for malaria programmes and establish TA management team.

2.2 Specific objectives

The specific objectives were:

- a) To review the tools used by the Roll Back Malaria Partnership Secretariat in annual work planning and their experiences in the field.
- b) To review the country planning guidelines within the MTEF.
- c) To review the draft produced by AFRO.
- d) To draft a field trial version of the malaria programme annual review and planning manual.
- e) To establish TA management team.
- f) To agree on the next steps.

3.0 METHOD OF WORK

Before the workshop, ISTs and AFRO MAL reviewed the documents produced by RBM and the draft produced by AFRO and drafted annual work plan toolkit. The workshop was organized and conducted both in plenary presentation and working group sessions. Each of these sessions was followed by plenary feedback and consensus building. At the end of the meeting the group produced a draft malaria programme annual review and planning manual.

4.0 MISSION MAIN OUTCOMES

The following were outcomes of the workshop:

- a) A draft malaria programme annual review and planning manual was produced ready for edition and distribution
- b) A follow up plan was agreed upon.
- c) EARN-SARN Country TA needs and management plan.

5.0 NEXT STEPS

1. Joint RBM-WHO workshop with countries on AWP tools to be held in September 2015.
2. Mobilize capacity to finalise planning tool for AWP.
3. Identify document editor for draft AWP Manual.
4. Review RBM consultant database (RBMTMAP) for technical assistance management.

5. EARN/SARN in collaboration with WHO IST-ESA to establish TA management team.