Malaria in Pregnancy Working Group

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MiP AT A GLANCE

In 2019:

• **11.6 million** pregnancies exposed to malaria infection in moderate and high transmission SSA countries
• **822,000** infants born with low birthweight
• **164,000** stillbirths in 2019, accounting for 20% of all stillbirths in sub-Saharan Africa
• **52%** of pregnant women sleeping under an ITN
• **34%** of eligible pregnant women received the recommended 3+ doses of IPTp
• **18%** of women attending ANC1 do not receive any IPTp

WHO World Malaria Report, 2020
Align RBM partners on best practices and lessons learned in MiP programming to help achieve higher coverage in MiP interventions globally.

Promote and support WHO strategy to control MiP:
- Insecticide treated bed net use (ITN)
- Effective case management
- Intermittent preventive treatment (IPTp) in areas of moderate to high malaria transmission
AREAS OF FOCUS

• Advocacy through the development of key tools and products targeting policy makers and program managers

• Support research and documentation of best practices and lessons learned

• Promote partnership between reproductive health and malaria control programs

• Support Call to Action for IPTp to improve coverage
  • Specifically highlight the need for attention to malaria and MCH programs in the COVID-19 context

• Coordinate and collaborate with other RBM mechanisms
  • Work with SBC WG to develop MIP focused messaging
  • Work with MERG to develop M&E guidance for MIP
Areas of Collaboration

**MIP WG**
- Improving ITN ownership and use among pregnant and reproductive aged women
- M&E of IPTp delivery and ITN use
- MIP SBC to promote demand for IPTp and ITNs, improve ANC attendance (overall and early ANC)

**MSWG**
- Engagement of ministries of finance and other key stakeholders to advocate for staffing needs and prioritization of SP procurement and investment in MiP interventions, close funding gaps
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Call to Action: Speed Up, Scale Up IPTp!

• Review progress since 2015 IPTp Call to Action
• Emphasize importance of sustained attention to IPTp, including SP stocks
• Garner support & foster coordination between malaria and MCH networks
• Encourage innovation around ANC and IPTp
• Highlight importance of IPTp/ANC service continuity during COVID-19
2020-2021 Call to Action rolling campaign

2020

• October: official launch
  • RBM Media Briefing
• November: ASTMH MiP innovations symposium

2021

• March: International Women’s Day
• April: World Malaria Day
• July: Zero Malaria Starts with Me 3rd anniversary
• October: International Day of the Girl
• November: ASTMH
• Universal Health Coverage Day

The Roll Back Malaria – Malaria in Pregnancy Working Group calls on the malaria and maternal and child health communities to multiply their efforts further to make intermittent preventive
THANK YOU!
Recent Key MiP Milestones

2012 • WHO recommends 3+ doses of IPTp with SP

2015 • Call to Action to increase IPTp coverage through Roll Back Malaria MiP Working Group

2016 • WHO recommends 8 ANC contacts

2019 • SP added to WHO Essential Medicines list

2020 • 5th Anniversary/Renewed Call to Action for IPTp
Join the IPTp Call to Action!

What can YOU do to help increase IPTp?

Join our webinars and events!
Share the Call to Action tools and products!
Support our social media efforts!
MiP in the time of COVID-19

Guia prático para a implementação de intervenções antipalúdicas no período de saúde pré-natal na gravidez (MiP), tai como redes mosquiteiras tratadas com inseticidas (ITN), a gestão rápida e eficaz de casos de malária e, se aplicável, a tratamentos preventivos intermitentes (IPTp) com sulfadoxina-pirimetamina (SP).

RBM Partnership To End Malaria

Conseils pratiques pour les interventions antipaludiques à la grossesse pendant la pandémie COVID-19

Les pays doivent accorder la priorité aux services de santé essentiels pendant la pandémie COVID-19. Tous les femmes doivent avoir accès à des consultations pré-natales (CPN) sûres et de haute qualité, y compris au traitement antipaludique pendant la grossesse (PPG) - moustiquaires imprégnées d'insecticide (MMI), en charge des cas rapides et efficaces et, le cas échéant, traitement préventif intermitent (IPTp) à la sulfadoxine-pyrériméthamine (SP).

Practical Guidance for Delivery of Malaria in Pregnancy Interventions through Antenatal Care during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Countries should prioritize essential health services during the COVID-19 outbreak. All women should have access to safe, high-quality antenatal care (ANC), including malaria in pregnancy (MiP) services—insecticide-treated nets (ITNs), prompt and effective malaria case management, and, where applicable, intermittent preventive treatment (IPTp) with sulfadoxine-pyrériméthamine (SP). Recognizing that at present, in many places, malaria is more common than COVID-19 and, if untreated, can cause high mortality, continuity of services and assuring protection of patients and health workers are key in settings where both malaria and COVID-19 occur. In cases where ANC services are disrupted, it is vital that countries consider alternative mechanisms that maintain global and national guidelines.