

COVER SHEET

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QUARTERLY PROGRESS NARRATIVE REPORT

QUARTER FOUR REPORT

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The Quarterly Narrative Report and Annexes are being submitted to UNICEF, the Principal Recipient, as part of the Quarterly Sub-Recipient Progress Report for the New Malaria Global Fund Grant for Somalia.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Malaria BCC is one of the Current on-going projects - that targets pregnant mothers and children <5 yrs. The Information, education and communication (IEC) on Malaria Diagnosis, treatment, prevention and control. All the Malaria BCC Activities are community/facility based and have a very strong community outreach component. The community Educators Conducts Door to Door visit and educate the Household member to Malaria Diagnosis/ treatment and prevention knowledge using special IEC material (Chart set) at community and household level. The community-based malaria control program UNICEF Somalia's GFATM program seeks to reduce the spread of malaria in communities. The Community-Based Malaria Control Program focuses on equipping community volunteers with the skills, knowledge and tools they need to educate the public about malaria prevention and treatment

Currently ISDP implements malaria BCC / IEC in targeted 15 districts in Mudug, Nugaal and Bari regions.

ISDP following and adopting the National Malaria Strategy document will target the implementation of proposed malaria interventions to the communities in all project regions of Bari, Nugaal and Mudug. Therefore, ISDP followed and adapted the National Malaria Strategy as targeting the implementation of BCC/IEC to the communities in 15 districts in three Regions as mentioned above.

One of key objective for Malaria project related to Behavioral Change & Communication is to increase the access to LLINs among the population living in Malaria BCC project Areas/districts.

Key activities

This report is summarising the major activities conducted between October to December 2023 (Quarter Four) by ISDP as Sub-recipient of Malaria Grant 2021-2023 on strengthening malaria control and health system through BCC interventions in the 15 targeted district Bosaso, Gardo, B/Bayla, Qandala, Alula, Iskushuban, Ufayn, Garowe, Dangorayo Eyl, Burtinle, Gakaio, Harfo, Galdogob and Jariban as per the planned activities for this quarter four 2023. The planed accomplishments of this quarter were to carry out three Community Dialogue, Continuous Participatory Household Education and quarterly supportive supervision. ISDP in collaboration with MOH/ National malaria control programme and UNICEF conducted the following major activities:

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS FOR QTR TWO 2023.

Household visit: **7,738** of household were visited by the malaria BCC outreach worker (community Educators) through continuous participatory education to pass malaria key messages and ensuring LLINs usage. **8,705** individuals were benefited these events. **258** of community meetings organize by community Educators were conducted in this quarter and **2,207** persons joined the meetings.

Community Dialogue sessions:

Oct 5th, Nov 06th and Dec 04th 2023, ISDP organised and conducted three session of monthly based community dialogue in this quarter targeting areas under Bosaso and Gaarowe ditricts of Bari and Nugaal regions. A total of **108** participants from all parts of the community were attended these events, during the meeting participants discussed the importance topics on malaria diagnosis, treatment, prevention and how to control in community level and practising seeking treatment behaviour. The facilitators using inter action and learning centred approach such as, brainstorming, asking questions, experience sharing etc. the major topics covered were malaria

prevention, importance of LLINs proper use and hang, malaria signs and symptoms, diagnosis and seeking treatment behaviour.

2. SUPPORTIVE SUPERVISIONS

ISDP malaria project staff conducted support supervision at areas namely listed below.

Which are: Garowe, Dangorayo, Burtinle, Harfo, Galkaio, Armo, Gardo, Wa'iye.

Objective: of support Supervision Field Visit.

This opportunity is to take harmonization to the Community Educators efforts at regional level and ensure improved information sharing and flow among the Regional/District health Officer and primary health care officers at regional level.

- Review performances of Community Educators aspects of Malaria routine activities and approaches for implementation.
- To Observe of Malaria outreach worker's activities and how is going at project Areas in Puntland of Somalia
- to share information about malaria in Puntland in general particularly Bosaso to the community Educators in visited sites.

Quarterly support supervision (4th to 10th November 2023).

ISDP malaria BCC project coordinator Farah Osman Yusuf and Ayanle Abdulahi Mohamed ISDP Program Officer carryout the Support supervision visit to Armo, Wai'ye, Gardo, Gangorayo and Garowe district. the support supervision visit was taken 7 days. During field visit we met with Health facilities staff of visited locations in above mentioned locations in Bari region.

We meet District Health Officers for visited HF/Districts, we update them on malaria circumstances in Puntland particularly in Bosaso and Elinio rainstorm and how let the community be aware about Elinio, which can provoke spread of malaria and discussed how to improvement community Awareness on Malaria Diagnosis, Treatment and prevention and control in Health Facility level and district level as well, furthermore during our supervision we discussed with health officials and Outreach workers in visited districts/Areas and the Malaria outbreak preparedness is very important for this fall season.

We met the community leaders, social groups of visited areas and advised them to far away from valley and rivers due to upcoming El nino. The visited health facilities were functioning the staff was on their work, there is no malaria case reported by visited Health facilities, RDT and ACT was available at health facilities.

Implemented partner Supervision (26-30th November 2023).

The implemented partner supervision was held from 26 to 30 November 2023, which was carried out by Farhia Abdiwahab Mohamed the senior program Officer and Farah Ahmed Mohamed Nutrition Officer. Among the places visited was Burtinle in Nugal region, which is one of the districts in the malaria elimination phase in Puntland, and Other places we visited are: Harfo, Badaadweyn and Galkayo in Mudug region.

ISDP team meet districts health Officers Local Health facilities staff, Malaria BCC outreach staff, Community Leaders of visited locations ISDP supervisor team meet with Community Elders, health officials' Local health center staff, Malaria BCC outreach workers, Community leaders in visited areas and share them the current Malaria situation in Puntland particularly Bosaso and preparations for the fall season feared outbreak of malaria. The continue to Assessment performances of Community Educators aspects of Malaria routine activities and approaches for implementation. During our field visit we met with DHOs District Health Officers and brief them the malaria situation and expecting fall rain that can cause malaria outbreak

Key findings from the Field visit (Quarter three 2023).

- All visited health facilities had enough stock for RDT and ACT
- In most of the cities we visited we saw a lot of stagnant water in many places.
- people were afraid of the expected rain storm which started some places.
- Malaria outreach workers were on their duties.
- **Supplies and commodities:**

LLINs AMOUNT BALANCE in end of Quarter three: 7,700

LLINs Distributed in Quarter three: 2,000

CURRENT BALANCE: 5,700

Routine LLINs Utilization Quarterly data for 13 Health Facilities in Bosaso District October to December 2023.

| Facility Name | Quarter based LLINs distribution plan April- June | Quarter based LLINs distribution plan July- Sept | Quarter based LLINs distribution plan Oct- Dec | LLINs /pcs | Total LLINs bundles/quarters |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------|------------------------------|
| Beldaaje Health Center | 19 | 5 | 6 | 1500 | 30 |
| Boqolka Bush Health Center | 11 | 2 | 3 | 800 | 16 |
| Horseed Health Center | 17 | 0 | 3 | 1000 | 20 |
| Isnino Health Center | 24 | 0 | 7 | 1550 | 31 |
| Shabeelle Health Center | 17 | 2 | 5 | 1200 | 24 |
| Central / Ugasyasin Health Center | 16 | 3 | 0 | 950 | 19 |
| Daryeel Health Center | 15 | 5 | 4 | 1200 | 24 |
| Fardows Health Center | 9 | 8 | 2 | 950 | 19 |
| Gurmad Health Center | 12 | 2 | 5 | 950 | 19 |
| Qaw Health Center | 1 | 2 | 2 | 250 | 5 |
| Tur-Jaalle Health Center | 10 | 6 | 0 | 800 | 16 |
| Armo Health Center | 10 | 0 | 3 | 650 | 13 |
| Ceeldaahir Health Center | 8 | 2 | 0 | 500 | 10 |
| Total | 169 | 37 | 40 | 12,300 | 246 |

the routine LLIN will be given to each pregnant woman on her first ANC visit (or later visit if she has not yet received).

6. PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR QUARTER ONE YEAR 2024

| Activities | JAN | FEB | MARCH |
|--|-----|-----|-------|
| House to House visit monthly Based | X | X | X |
| Community Educators refreshment Training. | X | X | X |
| Community Dialogue one session per month | X | X | X |
| Quarterly Support Supervision | | X | X |
| Quarterly IEC and job aids material printing | | X | |
| Malaria key messages releasing local Radio | | X | |

Lesson learned: Using different approaches on delivering key health messages on malaria case management and prevention contribute increasing awareness **of community;**

1. Lack of Motivation for outreach staff (Community Educators).
2. High demand of other intervention for (IDPs) in the community.
3. Nomadic population which was very difficult to reach because they scattered.
4. Refugee from Ethiopia and Yamen not reached due to different languages.

Recommendations/way forward

- Motivation of malaria BCC outreach staff.
- As the starting Rain season, ISDP malaria SBCC team will Accelerate the malaria awareness in Puntland in General
- Supporting of malaria messages translation to Ethiopian and Arabic language is needed.
- ISDP malaria team will put effort how to educate the community on mosquito larva and how to manage at community level.

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