



GOVERNMENT OF SIERRA LEONE
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SANITATION
NATIONAL MALARIA CONTROL PROGRAMME

REPORT
ON
SUPPORTIVE SUPERVISION

SUPERVISION PERIOD: 20TH – 25TH NOVEMBER, 2009

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REPORT ON MONITORING AND SUPPORTIVE SUPERVISION OF MALARIA CONTROL ACTIVITIES IN SIERRA LEONE -2009

Introduction:

The National Malaria Control Programme is the wing in the Ministry of Health and Sanitation that is charged with the responsibility to plan, coordinate, monitor and supervise all malaria control activities in the country. The Government of Sierra Leone, Non- Governmental Organizations (National and International) and other partners are actively involved in malaria prevention and control. However, support for malaria control activities has not been evenly distributed. Whilst some districts have two/three donors supporting them, others have only one. Support for malaria control activities in the three districts visited are provided by the following Non-Government Organizations

Moyamba District-----Plan Sierra Leone, UNICEF and World Bank

Bonthe District----- World Vision Sierra Leone and UNICEF

Pujehun District-----UNICEF

The use of free anti malarial commodities, ITNs, ACTs RDT and SP through the HMM strategy to reduce the disease morbidity and mortality is ongoing.

In a bid to ensure the successful implementation of the various malaria activities, monitoring and supervision is carried out continuously from central to Districts, PHUs and down to the communities.

DURATION OF SUPERVISION

DISTRICTS:

1. Moyamba
2. Bonthe
3. Pujehun

TEAM MEMBERS:

1. Solomon T.K.Johnson
2. Ngadie Lombie

Methodology:

Three strategies were employed by the team in carrying out the supportive supervision in the three districts:

1. Extractive Approach: The team looked into the various registers and records where the primary data on malaria morbidity, ITN distribution, antimalarial drug utilization (ACTs & SP) are collected and recorded . The team also used a supervisory check list to collect information on trainings (malaria case management, IPT, data collection, malaria microscopy & the use of RDTs, IMNCI), morbidity, treatment charts and display of IEC/BCC materials on walls .

2. Consultative approach: This was done in the form of a meeting held with the DHMT members where they were given the opportunity to participate and their views listened to by the NMCP team.

3. Interactive approach: (Focus Group Discussion): The team members, mothers/caretakers, pregnant women and other community members participated in a discussion that was led by the team for joint analysis of the findings.

FINDINGS:

- Most PHU staff have been trained on malaria case management & IPT
- Inconsistency in data collection and reporting
- IEC/BCC materials on malaria prevention and control not displayed on walls in some PHUs visited.
- Antimalarial drugs (ACTs, SP & Quinine) and ITNs are available at the PHUs
- Side effects of ACTs especially among the adult age group.
- Limited feed back to other staff members after training/ workshop.
- Irregular monitoring and supportive supervision
- HMM strategy is ongoing in communities throughout the country.
- A good quantity of ITNs from UNICEF is available in the districts visited

DISCUSSION:

Data collection and reporting at the primary health care level (PHUs) poses a significant threat to malaria prevention and control in Sierra Leone. During the supervisory visits conducted in the various districts, it was observed in almost all the PHUs that, the registers were not completely and correctly filled out.

Secondly, there was inconsistency between the registers and the summaries that were sent to the districts as monthly reports in most of the PHU visited.

Many of the PHUs visited had at least a member of staff trained on malaria case management, IPT or data collection. The problem of limited feed back given to those that did not attend trainings/workshops came out strongly. This loophole seriously contributes to the inconsistencies in the compilation and reporting of data.

IEC/ BCC materials on malaria prevention and control were properly displayed on the walls of some PHUs and other important structures in the communities. Few mothers/caregivers, pregnant mothers were able to interpret them correctly.

Antimalarial drugs were widely available in the health facilities. Quinine, the drug of choice for the treatment of severe malaria (pre-referral) and malaria in pregnancy during the first trimester was not widely available. This resulted in the inappropriate management of malaria in pregnancy.

All PHUs had no stock outs of SP for IPT.

The issue of side effects following ACT administration came out during the interactive session wherein team members from NMCP had the opportunity to listen to talks/discussions about the new malaria treatment (treatment policy). "ACTs are very good but the side effects..." a lot of people stated. People resorted to employ a divided dose method instead of a single dose per day. They confirmed that this has made the ACT more tolerable by adults. Some people said that the side effects from ACTs are less noticed among the adolescent and under five children.

The issue of irregular monitoring and supportive supervision from the districts down to the PHUs came out clearly during the visits in almost all the PHUs visited and this was evident in the visitors books kept at the PHUs.

Recommendations:

- Regular monitoring and supportive supervision should be strengthened from districts to PHUs.
- Community sensitisation should be intensified on ITN use, environmental sanitation, the new treatment policy using ACTs and HMM.
- Capacity building:
 1. Training of health staff on data collection and the importance of recording keeping.
 2. Provision of integrated data collection tools to ease the burden of health workers having to fill a lot of forms which is usually tired-some and confusing.

Constraints:

1. Limited quantities of fuel supply to carry out effective supervision from National to Districts/PHUs.

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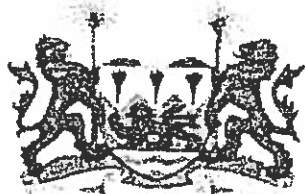


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DATE: 22nd - 23rd November, 2009

LIST OF HEALTH PERSONNEL SUPERVISED/CONTACTED

NO	NAME	HEALTH FACILITY	DESIGNATION	SIGNATURE
1	Samuel Coker	Bonthe St. Joseph's clinic	CHT	S. Coker
2	Augustine NIBOGBA		S.E.C.H.N	Augustine Nibogba
3	Josephine Johnny		M. C.H. Aide	J. Johnny
4	Peter Lusari	Bonthe SLRCS	SEC.H.N	P. Lusari
5	Lucia Kamara		M.H. Aide	Kamara
6	Pity Kamara		M.C.H. Aide	Kamara
7	Kadie Massaquoi	US - Bonthe	M.C.H. Aide	K. Massaquoi
8	Arlinata Sesay		M.C.H. Aide	A. Sesay
9	Patmata Mallo		M.C.H. Aide	P. Mallo
10	Samuel Lissa	Bonthe CHP	CHT	S. Lissa
11	Magdalene Sheku		M.C.H. Aide	M. Sheku
12	Theresa Bbondo		T.B.A.	T. Bbondo
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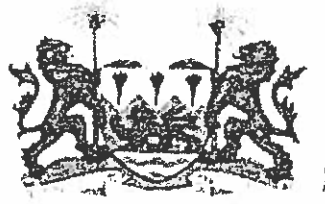


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17	Solomon Amara	Baoma ^{CHP} Kpenge	S.E.C.H.N	<i>She</i>
18	Kadijatu Sawanah		M.C.H. Aide	<i>Sawanah</i>
19	Mancina Sengor		T.B.A	<i>Sengor</i>
20	Jitta Feilka	Talia CHC	MCH-Aide	<i>Jitta Feilka</i>
21	Patrick Lunlu		S.E.C.H.N	<i>Lunlu</i>
22	Medunatu Kargbo		M.C.H. Aide	<i>M. Kargbo</i>
23	Moses Jorkie	Madina CHC	C.H.O.	<i>M Jorkie</i>
24	Janet Kobbie		T.B.A.	<i>Janet Kobbie</i>
25	Millicent Smart	Torma ^{CHP} Bum	MCH Aide	<i>M Smart</i>



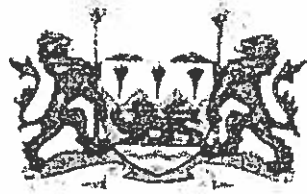
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28	Lawrence Alpha	Tihun CTC	C.H.O.	Lawrence Alpha
29	Esther Dauda	"	M.C.H. Aide	Esther Dauda
30	Josephine Bindi	"	M.C.H. Aide	J. Bindi
31	Esther Colter	Tihun CTC	MCH-Aide	Esther Colter
32	Salamatu Koroma	"	M.C.H. Aide	Salamatu Koroma
33	Anita Karimbu	"	S. B. A.	A. Karimbu
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Pujehun
District

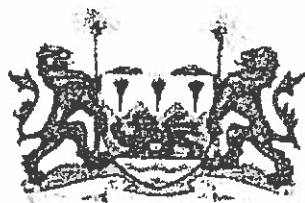


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7	Jonathan Kenneh Sei	Sengema	Vaccinator	[Signature]
8	Pamella Lahai	Sengema	M. CH Aide	[Signature]
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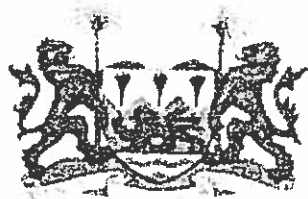
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18	Merina J. Kemor	Dandabu	MCH Aide	M Kemor
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20	Bockarie Margam	Taninahun CHTP	Vaccinator	Bockarie
21	Mamadou M. Kamara	Tambajama CHTP	MCH Aide	M Kamara
22	Namunya Konneh	Tambajama MCHP	Vaccinator	Konneh
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24	Esther K. Jacobs	MCHP Nyandahun	MCH Aide	E Jacobs

Moyamba
District



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3	Susan Carew	"	T.B.A	
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5	Matilda Yawana	Kanga MCHP	MCH Aide	
6	Susan Amara	MCHP - Toyema	MCH Aide	
7	Margret Ansumana	"	T.B.A	
8	Luey Korana	MCHP - Kargahun	MCH Aide	
9	Ibrahim Conteh	"	Vaccinator	
10	Fatonata Kargbo	"	T.B.A	
11	James Yandy	Funehu CHC Moyamba	CHD	
12	Mamie Foday	"	MCH Aide	
13	Arme Amara	Taiama CHC	MCH Aide	
14	Sarah Bima	"	MCH Aide	

