## **Against Malaria Foundation**

LLIN Distribution Programme - Detailed Information



## **Summary**

# of LLINS	Country	Location	When	By whom
3,200	Zambia	Mwinilunga, Solwezi	Jun-Aug 07	World Vision/RAPIDS
3,300	Zambia	Siavonga, Lusaka	Jun-Aug 07	World Vision/RAPIDS
2,500	Zambia	Sinazongwe, Livingstone	Jun-Aug 07	World Vision/RAPIDS
3,000	Zambia	Mbala, Mpika	Jun-Aug 07	World Vision/RAPIDS

## **Further Information**

1. Please describe the specific locations & villages to receive nets and the number to each? Please provide longitude/latitude information. (Important note: If the distribution is approved, approval will be for the nets to be distribution to these specific locations. Location changes will only be considered, and may be refused, if due to exceptional/unforeseen circumstances.)

See Attached Table.

2. Is this an urban or rural area and how many people live in this specific area?

Districts include both urban and rural areas. See above chart. The population of all the districts is approximately 9 million.

3. Is this a high risk malaria area? If yes, why do you designate it as high?

There is a high risk of malaria in this country. According to the WHO, every Zambian is at risk of contracting malaria. Malaria is the number one cause of mortality and morbidity in children under five, and the leading cause of morbidity among all age groups.

4. How many *reported* cases of malaria and malaria deaths were there in this area in 2005? If you do not have statistics please make a qualitative comment.

The latest statistics for Zambia from the WHO are for 2001. In 2001 there were 2,010,185 malaria cases, and 5,763 malaria deaths.

5. Is this distribution of nets 'blanket coverage' of an area/village or to a select/vulnerable group? If the latter, please describe this group.

This distribution will target households with people affected by HIV/AIDS, vulnerable children and orphans.

## 6. What is the existing level of ITN use in this area? Are there existing bednet distribution programmes in this area?

The existing level of ITN use in the RAPIDS ITN distribution is being determined now. There are existing mass distribution programmes in this area, and RAPIDS is working with the National Malaria Control Centre to avoid overlaps.

7. Why was the area/villages chosen for bednet distribution and who made this decision? Please provide the name, position and organisation of the person/s making the decision.

Areas targeted for ITN distribution were picked based on districts where RAPIDS partners operate. The amount of ITNS to be distributed to target districts was determined by the number of households that each partner serves and malaria prevalence in that district. These decisions were made by RAPIDS PMU.

8. Have you consulted with the National Malaria Programme in your country about this distribution and what was their response? Please provide the name, position and contact details of the person/s with whom you have liaised.

RAPIDS is working closely with the National Malaria Control Centre to plan and implement all facets of the ITN distribution program.

9. Please describe any pre-distribution activity, in particular how the size of the target group and number of nets required will be ascertained?

All partners collect data on the number of households in their districts, the number of orphans and vulnerable children, the number of caregivers, and the number of nets in each household before the distribution. These numbers are used to determine the size of the target group and the number of nets required.

10. Please describe how the bednets will be distributed, by whom, whether distribution will be a focussed effort or part of a combined programme and if there will be an information/education component to the distribution? Please indicate over what time period (typically, the number of days or weeks) the distribution will occur.

The company producing the ITNs, Vestergaard-Frandsen, is responsible for shipping the ITNs to their eight respective hubs. ITNs will begin to arrive on May 15<sup>th</sup> and all hubs will receive all ITNs by mid-June. RAPIDS PMU will then distribute the ITNs from the hubs to the districts. RAPIDS partners have the responsibility of distributing the ITNs from districts to the households. This will be accomplished using the RAPIDS network of home based caregivers, who will deliver the ITNS to households. Caregivers will hang ITNs at each household, and explain to household members the right way to use ITNs, and educate households about malaria control, prevention, and treatment.

This distribution will be a combined programme that includes an information/education component. Educational materials developed with the guidance and support of the National Malaria Control Centre and the Health Communication Project will be used to educate caregivers, so that they in turn will be able to educate households about malaria.

11. What post-distribution follow-up is planned to assess the level of usage (hang-up percentage) of the nets? How long after the distribution will this assessment take place? Will you provide us with the findings? What will you be able to do subsequently to increase net hang-up if relevant?

Caregivers will return to households and monitor ITN use directly and through questionnaires.

12. Please give the name and contact information for the (government) head of the district health management team for the/each area. Please ensure you include contact information.

The RAPIDS ITN distribution program reaches 64 of Zambia's 72 districts. If contact information for those districts is still required please contact us.

13. Please confirm the nets will be distributed free-to-recipients, a requirement for us to fund nets.

Confirmed.

14. Please confirm you will send us, post-distribution, at least 40 digital photos per sub-location, taken at the distribution/s, to be added to our website as we report on the distribution to donors.\*

Confirmed.

15. Please indicate if you will be able to provide video footage from each sub-location. This is not mandatory but is preferred and aids reporting to donors and encourages further donor giving.\*

Pending.

16. Please confirm you will send a **Post-Distribution Summary** when the distribution is complete.\*

Confirmed.

17. Please provide your name, role and organisation and full contact information.

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\*Information on providing photos, video and a Post-distribution Summary is included in the attached document.