

Post Distribution Report: Report on the Distribution of ITN which were donated to Kalene Hospital by the Against Malaria Foundation

We are grateful to Dr Ken Elam and the “Against Malaria Foundation” for organizing the fundraising and donation of 500 insecticide treated nets (ITN) to Kalene Hospital.

This was the first time the hospital had received nets, and we were keen to work on effective ways to distribute nets to those who had the greatest needs.

They were distributed in the following ways

1) Distribution to villages located near the hospital.

One of the problems with mosquito net distribution in the area in the past has been nets being sold on into Angola and the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). We therefore met with Chief Nyakaseya to plan how best to distribute the nets. The Chief agreed that his staff would visit houses at a later date to check that the nets were being correctly used. The distribution of nets was preceded by a community malaria sensitization program which included speeches from the chief, the hospital and other community representatives. Local drama clubs were also involved in the sensitization program. 300 nets were distributed in this way. They were all signed for by the recipients, and appropriate follow-up was arranged.

a) Distribution at Nyakaseya School -250 nets

The following photos were taken during the distribution of nets at Nyakaseya primary and intermediate school. The photos show the community education/ group sensitization program. The importance of avoiding malaria in pregnancy was emphasized and the first priority in the distribution of nets was to ensure that all pregnant mothers in the village were supplied with a net.



Chief Nyakaseya (in Orange) with Clement the Hospitals Program Officer for Malaria (in white) and David Mackie the community health chairman (in Green)



Malaria education. Making the most of the shade of a Mango tree



Malaria education: We discussed different steps to prevent and treat malaria. Education is essential as many in the community do not see the need to be using mosquito nets.



In this drama one couple correctly using a mosquito net, and the other family refused to use a net. The mother develops malaria while pregnant and delivers a small baby who has other health problems.



Drama group in action



Net being signed for (the woman who is crouching down and wearing blue is writing her name into an ITN exercise book before receiving her net).

b) Distribution in Ikelenge Village – 50 nets

The hospital malaria team combined with a local drama group to provide education on the use of nets. The emphasis was on education rather than on net distribution. However the opportunity was taken to distribute a further 50 nets, again with an emphasis on providing nets for pregnant mothers.



Drama providing education on the correct use of malaria nets in Ikelenge.

2) Distribution to other high risk groups: Patients with Malnutrition and HIV infection

This included the distribution of nets to children with malnutrition and to patients with HIV infection. 70 nets were distributed in this way. The photos show patients receiving their nets. The patients were talked with individually and then supplied with nets by one of our hospital staff who is working in the ART (antiretroviral treatment) program



Obby, our Program Data Clerk with patients receiving their nets



Many were very happy to be provided with an ITN



Discussing the correct use of a malaria net



Nets being given to families with malnourished children

3) Placement of nets in Kalene Mission Hospital.

Two wards had new mosquito nets placed This included 70 nets being hung. These nets help to prevent sick patients from catching malaria while in hospital. The use of nets in the hospital also provides an opportunity to teach patients about the importance of using an ITN at home



Clement, our malaria program officer, and Grace (in blue) assessing a patient in the children's ward who is having a quinine infusion for cerebral malaria. Note the newly hung nets.



Nets in place in men's ward



Nets being used in men's ward

4) Donation of nets to families when children were admitted to hospital with malaria

Perhaps the person at greatest risk of catching malaria is someone who has malaria now. We therefore decided that we should offer an ITN to families of children who were admitted to hospital with moderate to severe malaria. As part of the treatment of malaria we discussed the use of an ITN and asked parents of children admitted to hospital if they had a net at home. When there was no net for the child to use, and the family agreed to use an ITN appropriately, a net was given to the family prior to discharge from hospital. 60 nets were distributed in this way.



Boyd, the Hospitals Data Clerk with the book documenting the distribution of ITN

Date	Name	Sex/Age	Religion	Address	Phone Number	Signature
5/7/08	Paulina Samuaga	F/C	01	Nkamba	143435	Chap
9/02/08	Nelson M. Kashi	M/C	01	Nkamba	137865	Chap
10/02/08	Greenyress	F/C	01	Nkamba	150057	Chap
07/08	Sumbis Ndumba	F/C	01	Kau. Cong	145863	Chap
10/02/08	Thomas J. Katela	M/C	01	Kapwaka	130851	Chap
11/02/08	Assan Kayimara	M/C	01	Kasanga	437177	Chap
11/02/08	Josphant Samuaga	M/C	01	Nyakaseya	144983	Chap
11/02/08	Christina Katana	F/C	01	Kazamba	146137	Chap
11/02/08	Chedius Mukanza	M/1/2	01	Mwila	143606	Chap
11/02/08	Manlene Chigima	F/1/2	01	Mwila	151263	Chap
11/02/08	Kuty Kulombu	F/C	01	Ikelenge	151108	Chap
15/02/08	Rodias Makondin	M/C	01	Nyakaseya	151058	Chap
19/02/08	Nkashu Malumbika Chap	—	11	—	—	Chap
19/02/08	Volence Bisto	F/C	01	Sandumba	143630	Chap
19/02/08	FREASON MUKANDA	F/C	01	NKamba	128418	Chap
21/02/08	INOCENT NKEMBA	M/2m	01	NYAKASEYA	142030	Chap
21/02/08	REBECCAH MASHA	F/1yr	01	KABUYA	147134	Chap
23/02/08	DEBORAH KATELA	F/8yrs	01	NKEMBA	—	Chap
24/02/08	Brenda Kambuga	F/8yrs	01	NKEMBA	135816	Chap
24/02/08	Leah Kambuga	F/3yrs	01	Nyakaseya	140670	Chap
25/7/8	Jaimu Kadimira	F/C	01	Nshinga	149696	Chap
25/7/8	Kabwita Thunga	F/C	01	Kawanda	151058	Chap
26/7/08	Morgan Sapitanga	M/13/2	01	Muzanzi	151386	Chap
26/02/08	Doreen Kumbi	F/C	01	NKamba	143021	Chap
26/02/08	Christopher Kuchaya	M/1yr	01	NKamba	147253	Chap
27.7.08	Stephen Kuchaya	M/1A	0	Schanda	46023	Chap
29.7.08	FREASON KUMBA	M/C	01	Mansuaka	139390	Chap
31.7.08	Benedi Kazudi	M/1yr	01	Kapwaka	151478	Chap
8/8/8	Johnson Mpenzi	M/13/12	01	Kabuya	147005	Chap
9/8/08	Annie Mufinga	F/C	01	Mfisi	132287	Chap
18/8/08	Oliver Kuchaya	M/12	01	NKamba	130749	Chap

We would like to thank all those who contributed to the distribution of the nets. Our special thanks go to the "Against Malaria Foundation" to Ken Elam and to those who donated to the Against Malaria foundation. Our thanks also goes to the malaria team and hospital staff at Kalene.

John Woodfield
On behalf of Kalene Hospital