

The latest evidence confirms both hard-won progress and a worrying plateau in Africa's malaria fight. According to the World Malaria Report 2024, the WHO African Region accounted for 94% of global malaria cases, estimated at 246–263 million in 2023, and 95% of malaria deaths, approximately 569–597 thousand. Children under five remain the most affected. These levels have remained broadly unchanged in recent years, as climate shocks, conflict, health-system disruptions, and biological threats have slowed earlier gains.

Financing remains the decisive constraint. Global malaria spending in 2023 reached about US\$4 billion, less than half of the US\$8.3 billion annual need outlined in the Global Technical Strategy. This funding shortfall has left significant gaps in the coverage of insecticide-treated nets, diagnostics, medicines, and next-generation tools, particularly in high-burden African countries.

At the same time, a historic opportunity has emerged: two WHO-recommended vaccines, RTS,S/AS01 and R21/Matrix-M, are moving from pilot programs to full-scale rollout. By mid-2025, more than 24 million doses will have been delivered to over 20 African countries integrating malaria vaccines into routine immunization. Earlier, more than 4.3 million RTS,S doses had been distributed to eight early adopters, with R21 shipments commencing in 2024. These rollouts, alongside evidence of mortality reductions in vaccine-eligible children, represent a significant moment, if supply, financing, and delivery systems can keep pace.

Vector and parasite threats continue to evolve. Pyrethroid resistance is reducing the efficacy of older nets, but next-generation pyrethroid-PBO nets have shown the potential to restore effectiveness. Partial artemisinin resistance, reflected in PfKelch13 mutations, is now documented in parts of Africa, underscoring the need for vigilant drug efficacy monitoring. Urban transmission is an emerging risk with the spread of *Anopheles stephensi*, a highly competent urban vector now established in several countries in the Horn of Africa.

Despite these challenges, proven interventions remain impactful. Seasonal malaria chemoprevention (SMC) reached approximately 49 million children in 2023

across the Sahel and other eligible regions, with expanded guidance now allowing its use in areas outside the traditional Sahel definition where transmission patterns justify it.

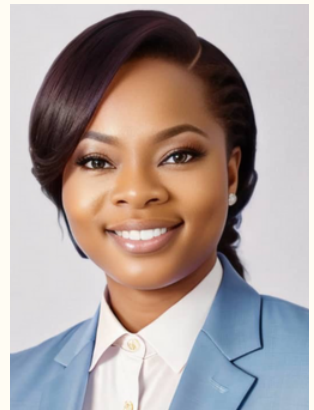
For CAMA and our members across the private sector, these trends highlight both urgency and opportunity. Five imperatives stand out:

- Close the financing gap by mobilizing blended capital, corporate, philanthropic, and innovative instruments, to fund vaccines, nets, diagnostics, SMC/PMC, and case management.
- Accelerate product adoption by supporting demand generation, last-mile logistics, and rapid deployment of effective tools such as next-generation nets and vaccines.
- Invest in intelligence through robust surveillance for insecticide and drug resistance, urban vector mapping, and geospatial tools for targeted interventions.
- Strengthen primary care and supply chains to ensure consistent access to diagnostics, treatments, and reliable health data systems.
- Champion equity by prioritizing underserved, high-burden, and humanitarian settings where interventions have the highest impact.

CAMA's mission is to convene, catalyze, and co-invest, aligning private-sector capabilities with national malaria programs and global partners to turn scientific advances into faster, more sustained reductions in malaria cases and deaths. The way forward is clear: fully fund and scale today's effective tools, deploy tomorrow's innovations responsibly, and target interventions with precision. With decisive, collective action, Africa can bend the malaria curve downward again, this time, durably.

*To end malaria in Africa,
we must pair today's
proven tools with
tomorrow's innovations—
and deliver both with
precision, equity, and
urgency.*

Mories Atoki (Dr.)
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World Health Organization Issues Guidance to Support Countries in Staying Malaria Free

In a significant step towards global health advancement, the World Health Organization (WHO) has issued its first-ever guidance aimed at supporting countries in maintaining malaria-free status. This groundbreaking guidance provides a comprehensive framework for countries that have successfully eliminated malaria, offering strategic recommendations to prevent the reestablishment of the disease. The guidance emphasizes the importance of sustained commitment to malaria prevention and control measures, including robust surveillance systems, effective vector control strategies, and community engagement.



Timor-Leste Certified Malaria Free by WHO

Timor-Leste has reached a significant public health milestone by being officially certified malaria free by the World Health Organization (WHO) as of July 24, 2025. This remarkable achievement highlights the country's successful efforts in combating malaria, a disease that has long posed a threat to public health in many regions. The certification comes after years of dedicated work, including effective vector control measures, widespread access to diagnosis and treatment, and strong community engagement initiatives. With this certification, Timor-Leste joins a select group of countries that have successfully eradicated malaria, paving the way for a healthier future and contributing to global efforts aimed at eliminating this preventable disease.



Africa: Zero Malaria Still Starts with Us - Ten Years of Progress, One Final Push

In a concerted effort to combat malaria across the continent, recent initiatives have been launched to enhance prevention and treatment strategies. These initiatives aim to strengthen collaboration among African nations, improve access to essential malaria interventions, and leverage innovative technologies to tackle the disease more effectively. Key components of the initiatives include the distribution of insecticide-treated bed nets, increased availability of rapid diagnostic tests, and the implementation of community health programs focused on education and awareness. By fostering partnerships between governments, non-governmental organizations, and international agencies, these efforts seek to reduce malaria transmission rates and ultimately save lives.



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Join the Fight Against Malaria

The Corporate Alliance on Malaria in Africa is a coalition of companies with business interests in Africa. For over 16 years, CAMA members have led and supported innovative malaria prevention, control and treatment activities and collectively deployed workplace & community programs reaching over 200 million people. You too can take action - [join](#) the Coalition today and let us work together to fight Malaria in Africa

How Dual Insecticide Nets Strengthen Malaria Control in Africa

Recent advancements in malaria prevention are making waves across Africa, particularly with the introduction of dual Insecticide Treated Nets (ITNs). These innovative nets are designed to combat insecticide resistance among malaria-carrying mosquitoes, providing a more effective barrier against the disease. The dual ITNs incorporate two different types of insecticides, which not only enhance their efficacy but also prolong their effectiveness in various environmental conditions. This new approach is crucial in regions where traditional insecticides have become less effective due to resistance, ensuring that communities remain protected from malaria transmission.



First Malaria Medicine for Newborns Approved



In a historic advancement for global health, the World Health Organization (WHO) has approved the first ever malaria treatment specifically designed for newborns. This new medicine, which is a formulation of the widely used antimalarial drug artemisinin, represents a significant breakthrough in the fight against malaria, particularly in vulnerable populations. Malaria remains a leading cause of morbidity and mortality among infants in endemic regions, and this innovative treatment aims to provide effective care for newborns who are at high risk of severe disease. The approval of this medicine is expected to enhance treatment options and improve health outcomes for infants affected by malaria, ultimately contributing to the global goal of reducing malaria-related deaths.

A Genetic Tweak Could Prevent Mosquitoes from Transmitting Malaria

Exciting developments in malaria prevention have emerged from recent research that explores genetic modifications in mosquitoes. Scientists have discovered a genetic tweak that could significantly reduce the ability of mosquitoes to transmit malaria. This innovative approach involves altering the mosquitoes' genetic makeup to hinder the parasite's development within them, thereby preventing the spread of the disease to humans. This breakthrough has the potential to revolutionize malaria control strategies, especially in regions where the disease remains endemic. By targeting the vector responsible for transmission, researchers aim to create a more sustainable and effective solution to combat malaria, which continues to pose a significant public health challenge worldwide.



Other News Update

Outcomes of the Fifth Global Conference on Climate and Health

The Fifth Global Conference on Climate and Health, held on August 11, 2025, has yielded significant outcomes aimed at addressing the intersection of climate change and public health. The conference brought together leaders, health professionals, and climate advocates to discuss urgent strategies for mitigating the health impacts of climate change. Key outcomes from the conference include a renewed commitment to integrating health considerations into climate policies, the promotion of sustainable practices to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and the establishment of collaborative frameworks to enhance resilience against climate-related health threats. As health organizations and governments prepare for the rollout of this new treatment, it is anticipated that it will play a crucial role in safeguarding the health of newborns and advancing efforts to eliminate malaria in high-burden areas.

Kenya Achieves Elimination of Human African Trypanosomiasis as a Public Health Problem



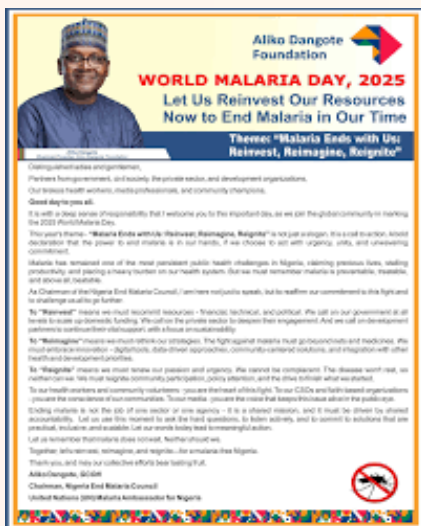
In a remarkable public health achievement, Kenya has officially eliminated human African trypanosomiasis, commonly known as sleeping sickness. This significant milestone marks a major victory in the global fight against neglected tropical diseases. The elimination of sleeping sickness in Kenya is the result of concerted efforts involving widespread screening, effective treatment strategies, and community engagement initiatives. Health authorities, in collaboration with international partners, have successfully reduced the incidence of this life-threatening disease to zero, demonstrating the effectiveness of targeted interventions and sustained commitment to public health.

Members News & Spotlight



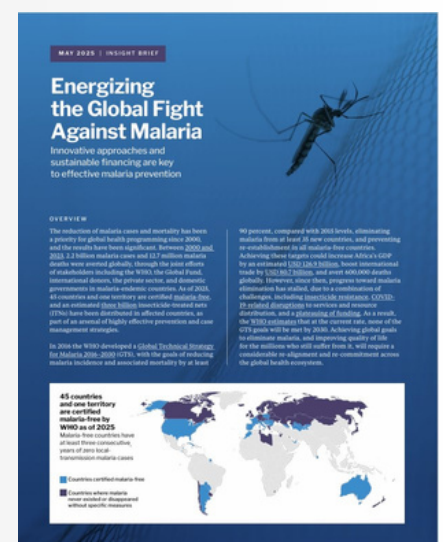
Alhaji Aliko Dangote Reaffirms Commitment to Ending Malaria

Marking World Malaria Day 2025, Alhaji Aliko Dangote, Chairman of the Nigeria End Malaria Council and UN Malaria Ambassador for Nigeria, issued a call to action under the theme 'Malaria Ends with Us: Reinvest, Reimagine, Reignite.' Dangote urged governments to scale up domestic funding, the private sector to intensify investments, and development partners to sustain their support with a focus on sustainability and long-term impact. Beyond financing, he emphasized the need to reimagine strategies by harnessing digital tools, innovation, and community-driven solutions, while also reigniting urgency and collective will across all sectors. Paying tribute to health workers, CSOs, faith leaders, and the media, he reinforced that ending malaria is a shared responsibility that demands unity and accountability. In closing, Dangote declared: "Let us reinvest, reimagine, and reignite, for a malaria-free Nigeria."



Spotlight: Vestergaard's Insights on Malaria Control and Elimination

Vestergaard, in partnership with FP Analytics, released an insight brief underscoring the urgent need for innovation and sustainable financing to accelerate malaria elimination. While global efforts since 2000 have averted over 2.2 billion cases and 12.7 million deaths, progress has slowed due to insecticide resistance, funding gaps, and system disruptions. The brief highlights the importance of scaling proven tools like ITNs, investing in new insecticide formulations and R&D, and adopting sub-national, tailored interventions to address local realities. It also calls for greater domestic financing in endemic countries to strengthen ownership and resilience. With 94% of malaria cases still in Africa, Vestergaard stresses that community leadership, innovative partnerships, and bold investment are essential to achieving the WHO malaria strategy targets and advancing the SDGs.



CAMA Events Outcome Reports

CAMA Malaria & Tech Workshop, ABCHealth Healthtech Summit, WHX Lagos - June 2025



The CAMA Malaria & Tech Workshop convened leaders across sectors to explore how innovation and private sector resources can drive malaria elimination in Africa. The report highlights technology-enabled solutions, financing models, and cross-sector partnerships to scale sustainable impact.

CAMA Webinar on World Malaria Day - April 2025



The outcome report from our World Malaria Day webinar highlights expert insights on the role of technology and innovation in advancing sustainable malaria control. It captures the latest research, emerging tools, and actionable recommendations toward achieving a malaria-free Africa.



Recent Events & Activities Across the Coalition

2025 World Malaria Day – 22nd April 2025

CAMA hosted Dr Peter Billingsley, founder of the vital Narrative and other high profile subject matter experts to commemorate the 2025 World Malaria Day. The Webinar themed 'Harnessing Technology for Malaria Control: Sustainable Innovations for the Future' had the distinguished speakers explore the transformative potential of digital health, AI, and big data in combating malaria in Africa. You can access the full report in our knowledge hub [here](#).



CAMA Malaria & Tech Workshop (ABCHealth Healthtech Summit), Lagos, Nigeria.

CAMA hosted a hybrid Malaria Workshop on the sidelines of world Health Expo (WHX Lagos), the event featured subject matter experts who shared indepth knowledge and strategies on 'Mobilizing Corporate Resources and Private Wealth for Sustainable Malaria Solutions, Leveraging Technology'. The specialized event brought together health experts, policymakers, pharma and development organizations to build partnerships aimed at reducing Africa's malaria burden leveraging new innovations through tech. You can access the full report [here](#).

ABCHealth Digital Health & AI Conference & Launch of the ABCHealth Virtual Healthtech Hub (ABCHealth Healthtech Summit), Lagos, Nigeria.

ABCHealth hosted the Honorable Commissioner for Health, Lagos State, Professor Akin Abayomi, and other distinguished stakeholders at the ABCHealth Digital Health & AI Conference themed: 'Engaging the Digital Health Ecosystem; Enabling Interoperability, Scalability and Sustainability across Health Systems and featured two Keynotes (Virtual and In-person) and four Panel sessions amongst other highlights. A landmark initiative designed to connect stakeholders, empower local talent, and advance digital technologies across Africa's health value chain. The launch featured a live demo of the Hub's web platform, offering participants a first-hand look at its functionality and future potential. You can access the outcome report [here](#).



ABCHealth Xcelerator Pitch Event (ABCHealth Healthtech Summit), Lagos, Nigeria.

The Xcelerator Pitch Event showcased Africa's brightest digital health innovators as select start-ups presented solutions to a distinguished panel of judges. It also convened investors, funders, strategic partners, and international observers, underscoring a multi-stakeholder commitment to accelerating health innovation on the continent. The ABCHealth Xcelerator Pitch Event was purposefully designed to spotlight high-potential solutions, accelerate their scale, and foster strategic partnerships that will harness Africa's growth potential through health technology. You can access the outcome report [here](#).

ABCHealth Powered Delegation at the Africa Health ExConference, Cairo, Egypt.

The ABCHealth-Powered Delegation to the Africa Health ExCon 2025, Cairo, Egypt, took place from 24th–27th June 2025 at the Egypt International Exhibition Centre. Endorsed by the Egyptian Authority for Unified Procurement (UPA) and co-hosted by the Africa CDC, in collaboration with AUDA-NEPAD, the event gathered global health stakeholders to drive innovation and trade. Accompanied by distinguished delegates: Mrs. Abiola Laseinde, Mary Ephraim-Egbas, Dr. Jekwu Ozoemene, and Adeola Ayoola. This ABCHealth-powered presence underscores the coalition's commitment to shaping Africa's healthcare future through leadership, partnerships, and bold innovation.



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ABCHealth Panel Session, Africa Social Impact Summit 2025, Lagos, Nigeria.

The ABCHealth Panel session, themed 'Reframing Priorities and Optimizing Opportunities in Africa's Healthcare Sector: Harnessing AI and Technological Advancements,' explored how artificial intelligence and digital tools can address systemic gaps in healthcare. Speakers emphasized the critical role of artificial intelligence and digital tools in addressing persistent challenges such as limited infrastructure, rising health demands, and workforce shortages. The conversation underscored the potential of AI to enhance diagnostics, streamline service delivery, and improve health system efficiency.



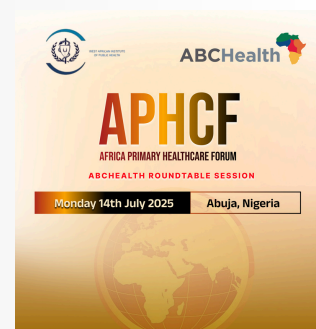
ABCHealth Roundtable Session, Africa Social Impact Summit 2025, Lagos, Nigeria.

The ABCHealth Roundtable session, themed 'Consolidating Bold Impact Actions towards Achieving Self-Sufficiency in Africa's Healthcare: Aligning Priorities with Technological Innovations,' brought together key stakeholders from the public and private sectors to discuss pathways to healthcare independence on the continent. The dialogue focused on strengthening local capacity for drug and medical commodity production, while leveraging technological innovations to close systemic gaps. Participants highlighted the importance of aligning national priorities with digital health advancements to ensure efficiency, sustainability, and resilience.



ABCHealth Roundtable Session - Africa Primary Healthcare Forum (APHCF), Abuja, Nigeria.

The Roundtable themed; 'Unlocking Universal Health Coverage in Africa: Evaluating the Impact of Primary Healthcare Financing through Reforms, Innovations, and Partnerships' offered an opportunity to reflect on lessons learned, share emerging models of success, and interrogate what more must be done to bridge financing gaps, leverage innovation, and forge strategic partnerships that can elevate Primary Health Care (PHC) to the level required for Universal Health Care (UHC). As Africa's population is projected to nearly double by 2050, the decisions made today regarding how PHC is financed and governed will determine the health and prosperity of generations to come.



Key Upcoming Events



ABCHealth CEO Roundtable Session - Africa Healthtech Summit, Kigali, Rwanda.

The ABCHealth CEO Roundtable at Kigali, Rwanda, themed, 'Aligning Public-Private Innovation and Interoperable Systems: Driving Inclusive, Sustainable HealthTech Solutions for Universal Health Coverage and Health Security in Africa' aims to interrogate how strategic public-private collaboration can unlock the next generation of digital health solutions across the continent. With Africa's health systems facing persistent fragmentation, inequitable access, and chronic underfunding, this session offers an opportunity to rethink how innovation, interoperability, and inclusive governance can be aligned to drive scalable and sustainable HealthTech ecosystems.



ABCHealth Roundtable Session - Africa Film Finance Forum 2025, Lagos, Nigeria.

CAMA Members Meeting & CAMA Webinar

World Health Leaders Summit (World Health Expo) Accra, Ghana.

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