

WORKSHOP FOR MALARIA CONTROL PROGRAM MANAGERS ON THE USE OF USB KEYS TOOL FOR PLANNING AND TRACKING OF ROAD MAPS IMPLEMENTATION, PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA, 4 TO 5 JULY 2011

The workshop for Malaria Control Program Managers on the use of the USB Key Tool for planning and tracking of country road maps implementation took place in Pretoria, South Africa. The meeting was jointly organized by Roll Back Malaria (RBM) Secretariat and Southern African Regional Network (SARN). It was opened by Dr. Patrick Moonasar, Director of Communicable Diseases, Department of Health on behalf of Mr. Moeketsi Modisenyane, Director of International Health Liaison, Department of Health, South Africa. The meeting was attended by Program Managers from Anglophone countries (Angola, Botswana, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, South Africa, Swaziland, URT-Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe and URT-Zanzibar). Partners including SADC Secretariat, MACEPA, MMV, GMP and ALMA attended the workshop. To boost the capacity of the Trans-Zambezi Cross-border Malaria Initiative (TZMI), MACEPA funded data/M and E officers from the five TZMI countries (Angola, Botswana, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe) to attend the workshop.



Group Photo of the participants to the USB Key Tool Workshop held at Burgers Park Hotel, Pretoria, South Africa, 4 - 5 July 2011

The objectives of the meeting were to:

1. Review RBM priorities Targets and milestones for 2011-2015

2. Review Country roadmaps
3. Introduce the USB roadmap tracking tool
4. Update roadmaps through data entry
5. Introduce the 2012 – 2013 roadmaps

TRANS-ZAMBEZI CROSS-BORDER MALARIA INITIATIVE (TZMI) BUSINESS PLAN SIDE MEETING

The TZMI Business Plan Draft Team took the opportunity of attending the USB Key Tool workshop by holding a lunch hour meeting attended by the five TZMI Program Managers, MACEPA, RBM Secretariat, SADC Secretariat and SARN Secretariat to map the way forward on finalising the TZMI Business Plan and hosting of the TZMI Secretariat. The meeting was chaired by Botswana NMCP.



Group Photo for partners to the TZMI Business Plan Meeting held during lunch hour at the Burgers Park Hotel, 4th July 2011

The following were the outcomes of the meeting:

1. Five TZMI countries would send their comments on draft TZMi Buisness Plan by Wednesday, 6th July 2011 to SARN Secretariat who will consolidate the comments and send it to all stakeholders. The document would be sent to MACEPA by Friday, 8th July 2011 to finalse the tecnical aspects of the document by end of July 2011.
2. Once edited for technical quality, the document will be send to Sanofi Aventis for packaging in terms of its attractivennes as a business plan.
3. Zambia NMCP with the support of MACEPA, offered to host the TZMI Secretariat and would send a formal offer to SARN Secretariat. The offer was endorsed by the five program managers.
4. The interim committee of the TZMI would comprise of 5 Program Managers, 5 Districts Health Officers (one from each country) and five partners and. RBM Secretariat and SARN Secretariat as ex-official members of the interim committee.