

Sightsavers' Deworming Wishlist 3

April 2019 to March 2022

Summary cover note

Wishlist 3 shows the current funding opportunities available to Sightsavers for deworming MDA. As requested we have aimed to provide the 'full picture'¹ within which we have then highlighted our organizational priorities.

The list below outlines these current funding opportunities in order of priority for Sightsavers:

Priority 1:

- Extension of support in existing project areas until March 2022.
- Geographic expansion of support into Bauchi State in Nigeria, until March 2022. This is a new operational area for Sightsavers.

Priority 2:

- Geographic expansion of support into two new regions in Cameroon until March 2022.
- An increase to biannual STH treatments in Guinea.

Priority 3:

- Geographic expansion of support into a further three new regions in Cameroon until March 2022.

We have considered the following criteria when prioritising work, the:

- i. delivery of programs which continue to build on efforts to reduce transmission and accelerate the transition from control of morbidity to elimination as a public health problem.
- ii. continuation of support in existing areas to build on the work already funded by GiveWell, so as to ensure maximum impact.
- iii. new geographic areas in need of partner support need to be a logical extension of our current deworming programs in country: which build on existing in-country partnerships and support structures, and achieve economies of scale.
- iv. any further expansion to new geographic areas needs to be feasible in scale, building on existing partnerships and support structures.
- v. expansion to new geographic areas is only feasible if a cumulative approach is taken regarding priorities.

¹ Yobe State, Nigeria, is the only part of the 'full picture' not included, as there is no change from the situation presented in Wishlist 2. 2018 is the first year of MDA delivery, following which the program will be assessed and from there we will have a clear picture from April 2020 onwards.

Table 1: Summary of Wishlist 3

Description	Countries / Project Area	Details
Priority 1: Extension of support in existing project areas.	Nigeria 4 States	In existing project areas from April 2020 to March 2022
	Nigeria, Benue	In existing project areas from April 2019 to March 2022
	Guinea	In existing project areas from April 2020 to March 2022
	Guinea Bissau	In existing project areas from April 2019 to March 2022
	DRC	In existing project areas from April 2020 to March 2022
	Cameroon	In existing project areas from April 2019 to March 2020
Priority 1: Geographic expansion of support.	Nigeria, Bauchi	A geographical expansion into Bauchi State from April 2019 to March 2022
Priority 2: Geographic expansion of support into two new regions in Cameroon.	Cameroon	SCH/STH MDA in new project areas, North and Far North regions, from April 2019 to March 2020
Priority 2: An increase to biannual STH treatments in Guinea Conakry.	Guinea	Adding biannual STH treatments in N'zérékoré health district, from April 2019 to March 2022 Delivering the second round of STH MDA in three health districts; Beyla, Guéckédou, Macenttoa (first round delivered via LF MDA provided by HKI) from April 2019 to March 2022
Priority 3: Further geographic expansion of support into new districts in existing countries.	Cameroon	SCH/STH MDA in new project areas, Adamaoua, East and Littoral, the remaining 3 regions, from April 2019 to March 2022

Following Year 1 MDA, the GiveWell funded countries have treated over 4.6 million SAC for SCH/STH. Without GiveWell we could not have had this impact.

Our approach remains highly effective in the delivery of SCH/STH MDA. Wishlist 3 would allow us to build on these achievements and plan efficiently with MoH to ensure school aged children (SAC) are protected and treated effectively.

Under Priority 1:

- Continuation of funding from 2019 in; Benue State, Guinea Bissau and Cameroon.

For Benue State and Guinea Bissau, our funding request is for three years. This approach will ensure we are able to sync with the three-year treatment cycle for SCH in areas of lower prevalence and will enable more accurate cost comparisons.

- Continuation of funding from 2020 in; Nigeria 4 States, Guinea and DRC.

In Guinea and DRC our funding request is for two years bringing all GiveWell funded deworming programs in line up to March 2022.

A three funding cycle demonstrates commitment and security to MoH and other stakeholders.

Wishlist 3 will allow us to maintain the momentum gained in Year 1 by building on the community sensitization work and advocacy. This prevents a loss of progress in uptake and maintains stakeholder engagement at all levels.

Sightsavers is the only NGO partner delivering NTD treatments in Guinea Bissau and as such GiveWell funds remain central to the delivery of SCH/STH MDA. Without your continued support it is highly unlikely deworming would continue for SAC.

Previous GiveWell funding for Cameroon was for behaviour change work. This work complimented the SCH/STH MDA funded by USAID. With USAID funding for SCH/STH MDA no longer available, it is a priority for Sightsavers to secure the funds needed to ensure this work continues.

Geographical expansion into Bauchi State is a priority because there are no other funders and there is a strong commitment from the MoH to start a program. Sightsavers has worked closely with the implementing partner to plan to deliver SAC treatments in a more cost effective manner than previously presented in Wishlist 2.

Under Priority 2:

Geographic expansion of support into two new regions in Cameroon offers the opportunity to deliver SCH/STH treatments to regions where no other funding is currently available, but where Sightsavers already has a presence.

Delivering the second round of STH MDA in four health districts in Guinea within the N'zérékoré region offers the opportunity to respond to a direct ask from the MoH regarding their own treatment priorities.

Under Priority 3:

Further geographic expansion of support into the remaining districts in Cameroon, with no funding for SCH/STH MDA, provides the opportunity to deliver a national deworming program.

Support for Cameroon in Adamaoua, East and Littoral regions, is a low priority in Wishlist 3. Sightsavers doesn't currently work in these districts and this scale up would require significantly increased costs associated with co-ordinating a national program.

Table 2: A summary of the Wishlist 3 treatment targets.

Wishlist 3 targets 20,683,139* SAC for deworming treatment, of which Priority 1 targets 14,985,570* SAC for deworming treatment.

Description	Countries / Project Area	No. of school aged children treated	
		SCH	STH
Priority 1: Extension of support in existing project areas.	Nigeria, 4 States	5,014,016	1,122,929
	Nigeria, Benue	3,385,624	2,583,283
	Guinea	793,615	793,615
	Guinea Bissau	332,516	296,517
	DRC	494,786	100,634
	Cameroon	1,270,496	1,837,224
Priority 1: Geographic expansion of support.	Nigeria, Bauchi	3,100,789	-
Priority 2: Geographic expansion of support into two new regions in Cameroon.	Cameroon	1,503,660	3,351,796
Priority 2: An increase to biannual STH treatments in Guinea Conakry.	Guinea	-	812,368
Priority 3: Further geographic expansion of support into new districts in existing countries.	Cameroon	1,560,405	1,138,602

*These numbers are the sum of the number of SAC treated for SCH or the number of SAC treated for STH, whichever is largest. These figures make the assumption that the larger of the two treatment numbers (SCH vs STH) is the total number of children receiving treatment.

For Wishlist 3 reporting, we aim to explore maximising the way the number of SAC treated are reported. We will look at using the following calculation to work out the total number of SAC that we report:

- the number of ALB only treatments, plus the number of PZQ only treatments, plus the number of PZQ and ALB combined treatments to calculate the total number of SAC treated per district.