Sightsavers Phase 1 application to GiveWell

Sightsavers in Nigeria

Please note: Parts of this information has also been submitted previously in a similar format to Mr. Thomas Mather for the consideration of Max Mind.

Introduction - Nigeria
Nigeria has a population of over 180 million (projected from 2006 census figure). Nigeria has six geo-political zones comprising 36 States, a Federal Capital Territory (Abuja), and 774 Local Government Areas (LGAs). Over 70% of the people live below the poverty line without access to affordable healthcare and other basic social services. The socioeconomic burden of the endemic Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Nigeria will aggravate the current situation if not managed.

NTDs are currently being addressed by the Federal Ministry of Health using the NTD framework developed for 2013 – 2017. The Nigerian NTD master plan 2013-2017 has set out the framework to address the following diseases: Lymphatic Filariasis (LF), Onchocerciasis, Schistosomiasis, Soil Transmitted Helminths (STH) and Trachoma. The strategic goal is to progressively reduce morbidity, disability and mortality due to NTDs using integrated and cost-effective NTD Programme.

Sightsavers is partnering with the Ministry of Health in Nigeria to deliver interventions within the five north-western States of Sokoto, Kebbi, Kwara, Kaduna and Kogi. These programmes are making excellent progress, indeed river blindness elimination has already been achieved in some areas in Kaduna State. However, these devastating diseases are still endemic across parts of the country and Sightsavers is committed to supporting the scale up of elimination activities at this crucial time.

Q1a. Major activities performed by Sightsavers and other players
Sightsavers has been working in Nigeria for over 40 years, in partnership with the Ministry of Health. During this time we have supported eye care programs to address conditions amongst the population including cataract and glaucoma, human resource development programs to increase the number of practising ophthalmologists, cataract surgeons and eye health professionals, and widespread NTD programs focused on the elimination of five NTDs.

Key activities include an eye care program in Zamfara State, a programme developing an Anglophone Diploma in Ophthalmology, operational research in partnership with the Liverpool School of Tropical health and Medicine in Kano State and NTD elimination programs in Kaduna, Kwara, Kogi, Kebbi and Sokoto States. Our Nigeria program team is based in Kaduna and liaises closely with partner staff in the Ministry of Health.
Q1b. Results from recent years' activities, including # of people treated for each disease and amount spent

**Sokoto State**

2014:
Oncho: 38,162 people received MDA  
LF: 1,638,471 people received MDA  
Trachoma: 2,001,924 people received MDA  
Schisto: 168,545 people received MDA  
STH: 85,669 people received MDA  
*please note Schisto and STH figures were impacted by closure of schools due to EBV in 2014*

2014 **actual expenditure**: £43,221

2013:
Oncho & LF: 1,553,912 people received MDA  
Trachoma: 1,421,578 people received MDA  
Schisto: 426,486 people received MDA  
STH: 128,638 people received MDA  
*please note Schisto and STH figures were impacted by closure of schools due to EBV in 2014*

2013 **actual expenditure**: £103,280

**Kebbi State**

2014:
Oncho: 284,315 people received MDA  
LF: 1,026,708 people received MDA  
Schisto & STH: activities commencing in 2015 Qtr 3  

2014 **actual expenditure**: £59,735

2013:
Oncho & LF: 1,073,586 people received MDA  

2013 **actual expenditure**: £53,464

**Kwara State**

2014:
Oncho: 1,326,512 people received MDA  
LF: 383,231 people received MDA  
Schisto: 341,516 people received MDA  
STH: 216,110 people received MDA  

*nb. trachoma mapping took place and showed the state is not endemic.*

2014 **actual expenditure**: £47,244

2013:
Oncho: 1,038,921 people received MDA  
LF: 350,322 people received MDA  
Schisto: 61,074 people received MDA  
STH: 359,402 people received MDA  

2013 **actual expenditure**: £54,880
Kogi State
2014:
Oncho: 1,731,948 people received MDA
LF: 590,774 people received MDA
Schisto: 65,460 people received MDA
STH: 87,249 people received MDA
nb. trachoma mapping took place and showed the state is not endemic.
2014 actual expenditure: £39,922

2013:
Oncho: 1,302,829 people received MDA
LF: 493,504 people received MDA
2013 actual expenditure: £49,274

Q1c. Sightsavers spending (and that of other players if available), broken down by activity type and/or disease target
- Please see accompanying spreadsheet: tab named ‘Budget – NTD work (planned)
- Sightsavers does not have access to information on the spending of other NGO players in Nigeria, however, the map below shows the NGOs that are active in each state. These include: HKI, The Carter Center, Mitosath, UNICEF and CBM.

The NGDO Support to States – NTDs

DFID Support to begin in Katsina, Kano, Zamfara & ----

APOC Support in 31 States & FCT

RTI/USAID about to start support in TCC-assisted States

HKI
CBM
TCC
UNICEF
Sightsavers
MITOSATH
MITOSATH/UNICEF
No Partner Yet
Q1d. Prevalence information for each targeted NTD

**Sokoto State**
- Schisto (3% - 56.1%)
- STH (3.2% - 27.1%)
- Oncho (0.0% - 22.0%)
- Trachoma - TF (0.3% - 49%)
- LF (0% - 35.4%)

**Kebbi State**
- Schisto (0.8% - 68.3%)
- STH (3.8% - 22.0%)
- Oncho (0.0% - 32.6%)
- Trachoma - TF (0.7% - 21.3%)
- LF (0% - 58.0%)

**Kwara State**
- Schisto (0.0% - 38.3%)
- STH (8.3% - 57.0%)
- Oncho (2% - 80%)
- Trachoma - TF (0.0%)
- LF (0% - 16.2%)

**Kogi State**
- Schisto (0.0% - 21.4%)
- STH (16.2% - 39.0%)
- Oncho (2%-92%)
- Trachoma - TF (0.0%)
- LF (0% - 8.0%)

**new* Benue State**
- Schisto (1.4% - 24.8%)
- STH (20.2% - 36.8%)
- Oncho (0%-86%)
- Trachoma - TF (0.0%)
- LF (0% - 66.0%)

Q1e. Funding needs/goal for 2016 or beyond
- Please see accompanying spreadsheet: tab named ‘Budget – NTD work (additional)

With additional funding in Nigeria Sightsavers would be able to:
a) carry out the scale up work required in the 4 states of Kebbi, Kogi, Kwara and Sokoto.
b) We would also be able to start the delivery of a new integrated NTD programme in Benue.
Q1f. Existing and potential funders, including Sightsavers unrestricted funds

**Sightsavers funding information:**

For our current planned work in 2015 programme we will look to fund activity through a range of funding streams; Government, individual and trusts and foundations are currently either secure or in the pipeline.

**Sokoto State**
Potential funders: 2015-2018 pending proposal (c.50% of planned costs) with Isle of Man International Development Committee. Result due June 2015.

**Kebbi State**
Sightsavers work is not currently donor funded

**Kwara State**

**Kogi State**
Existing funder: AG Leventis Foundation, c.$50,000.

**DFID: Northern Nigeria ‘UNITED’ project**

£10m ($16m). 4 years (started Oct 2013)
Active in Katsina, Kano, Zamfara, Kaduna and Niger States.

**CIFF: Mapping of STH and schisto in northern Nigeria.**

£889,563 (c$1.5m). 2 years (June 2013 – June 2015)
Active in Kaduna, Kebbi, Yobe, Jigawa, Akwa Ibom, Ekiti, Oyo, Osun, Katsina, Kogi, Lagos, Bayelsa, Rivers and Kano States.