

# Challenges in the Management of Malaria in Nigeria: A Healthcare System Preview

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## Abstract

Malaria continues to be one of the most important topics in public health as a disease which put 3.2 billion people around the world at risk of infection. Malaria is considered one of the major preventable diseases that cause death. It is a huge challenge to bring malaria from control to elimination phase, especially in a country with an impeded economy such as Nigeria. One of the main bottlenecks is the healthcare system as a whole and allocated expenditure. The political will and the international support from different stakeholders have given rise to the new National Strategic Malaria Plan [NMSP 2014-2020] aiming toward, Nigeria free of malaria by 2020.

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<b>Long term plan:</b>
<b>Research:</b>
Funding and encouraging researchers are very important for the future of a disease endemic country, like Nigeria, to find new advancements in prevention, diagnosis, and treatment. Also cooperation with established countries, for instance, Australia, in Malaria research field might have a positive impact in further developing niche products to prevent and treat malaria [12].
<b>Epidemiology:</b>
A strong surveillance system is needed in place to provide data analysis of malaria infection on a national level to provide prompt response and accurate figures for a problem solving and crisis management. Few initiatives have been introduced using several IT platforms and with the aid of established initiatives by pharmaceutical companies such as SMS for life and introducing new platforms and technologies would benefit the national vision to have malaria free Nigeria [5,13,14].

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