## **15**X RWANDA

Rwanda and the President's Malaria Initiative first teamed up to fight malaria in 2006. Early on, Rwanda celebrated remarkable progress combatting the disease, but encountered a spike in cases 2012-2016. With increased investments and scaled-up interventions by PMI and the Global Fund to Fight AIDs, Tuberculosis and Malaria, Rwanda fought back against the resurgence. Between 2015-2018, the nation drove a 40% reduction of severe malaria cases and a 43% reduction in malaria-related deaths.



## **THE PATH TO A** MALARIA-FREE RWANDA

Reduction in under-5 mortality from 2005

Health workers trained

**167% >65,000 169%** 

Increase in precentage of Insectcide-treated net ownership 2005 2017/2018

in malaria treatment since 2006

SINCE 2006. IN ADDITION TO SCALING UP OTHER LIFE-SAVING INTERVENTIONS, PMI HAS HELPED RWANDA PROTECT:

**MORE THAN** 

915,000 **RESIDENTS VIA INDOOR RESIDUAL SPRAY CAMPAIGNS** 





## **ON THE FRONT LINES OF THE MALARIA FIGHT**

Expansion of community health workers is a key ingredient to Rwanda's success in fighting malaria. These mostly female front-line workers use technologies like SMS to rapidly report cases and supply chain stockouts. Their home consultations ensure Rwandans are diagnosed and treated earlier, preventing severe malaria cases from overwhelming medical facilities and maintaining capacity for treating other diseases like COVID-19 and cancer.

With support from PMI investments since 2006, Rwanda was able to expand its community health worker network, which is now also being used to help fight COVID-19.

> - H.E. Mathilde Mukantabana, AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA TO THE U.S.

