

15X NIGER

The U.S. President's Malaria Initiative (PMI) and Niger joined forces in 2017—a partnership made possible through increases in PMI's budget that enabled the initiative to expand into 5 new high malaria burden countries. Malaria is a major public health issue in Niger, and is one of the leading causes of illness and death in the country. Today, thanks to recent funding, PMI and its partners have teamed up with the government to increase the availability of malaria tests and proven treatments, make health services more accessible, and train more health workers in the fight against malaria and COVID-19.



**4
YEARS**

**Of partnership
between PMI and
Niger's government**
to support their fight against malaria

**>8
MILLION**

**malaria
preventions
and treatments**
distributed

MAPPING THE END OF MALARIA IN NIGER

Being able to count on access to malaria diagnostics and treatments is critical for saving lives and preventing malaria cases. But in Niger, many rural health facilities often didn't have enough treatments in stock to serve their patients. Without accurate information about where these facilities were located to plan delivery routes or schedule deliveries, it was impossible to ensure life-saving medicines reached the facilities where and when they were needed most.

After assessing this situation when it first expanded to Niger in 2018, PMI joined forces with the government of Niger and—with the help of USAID—devised a new strategy of mapping roads and geographic coordinates for all health facility sites.

Thanks to teams on the ground collecting data, government officials can identify more efficient and strategic models for last-mile delivery. The data collected also is used to plan and predict how medicines, treatments, and nets are reliably and efficiently distributed across Niger. This system also goes beyond fighting malaria as it serves as the foundation for improving Niger's national supply chain.



**The data create new levels
of rigor and transparency
for decisions related to
distribution, whether it be
health commodities, food,
and even school supplies.**

– Eric Coulibaly,
USAID'S PMI RESIDENT ADVISOR

