

Recommendations for ITN Distribution: *Recommend moving forward with current and planned ITN campaigns. The following key actions should be implemented:*

- All ITN campaign activities—e.g., trainings, registration, social and behavior change communication activities, fixed-site distribution, etc.—should be organized in a manner to minimize gathering of people [keep 2 meters apart and limit groups to 10 people¹], and participants should use available precautions for personal protection (e.g., soap and water for handwashing, alcohol-based hand sanitizer if possible, masks for health personnel, good hygiene practices including respiratory etiquette, etc. – see list below for IRS teams which may have relevant inclusions)
- Countries will have prioritized areas for ITN distribution based on malaria burden and intervention stratification and this planning should be respected. Of note, urban areas with dense populations may have higher risk of person-to-person exposure for COVID-19 but lower rates of malaria infection; these areas could be deprioritized for ITN distribution compared to rural settings with higher malaria transmission.
- Some campaign activities could expose workers and the public to COVID-19; countries should consider all opportunities to minimize exposure risk, especially if the activities might not be truly essential. However, the malaria protection does remain essential across the targeted populations.

Please see: Distribution of Insecticide Treated Nets (ITNs) amid COVID-19 Concerns and in COVID-19 Affected Countries available at: <https://allianceformalariaprevention.com/about/amp-guidelines-and-statements/>

¹ Stated distance of 2 meters and limit for group size of 10 may vary based on national or local guidelines.