



The Post-Market Data Collection Toolkit: Turning insights into action

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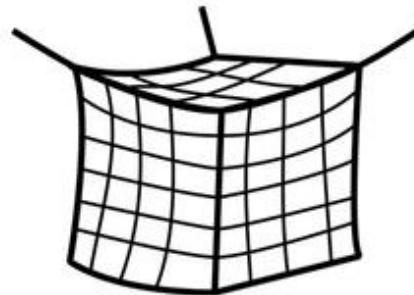
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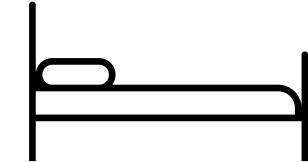
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→ But **how long** can they effectively protect communities?



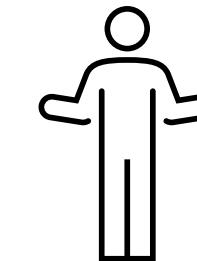
Physical and
insecticidal
properties



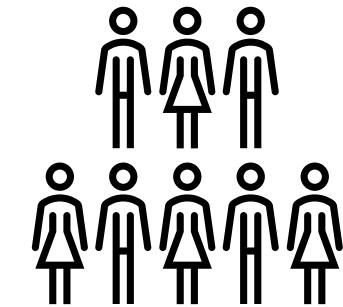
Sleeping
environment



Environmental
factors



Individual



Community

Post Market Data Collection: Field measurements of net durability

Programme data, academic studies and especially **durability monitoring studies** have resulted in a huge amount of information on net durability.

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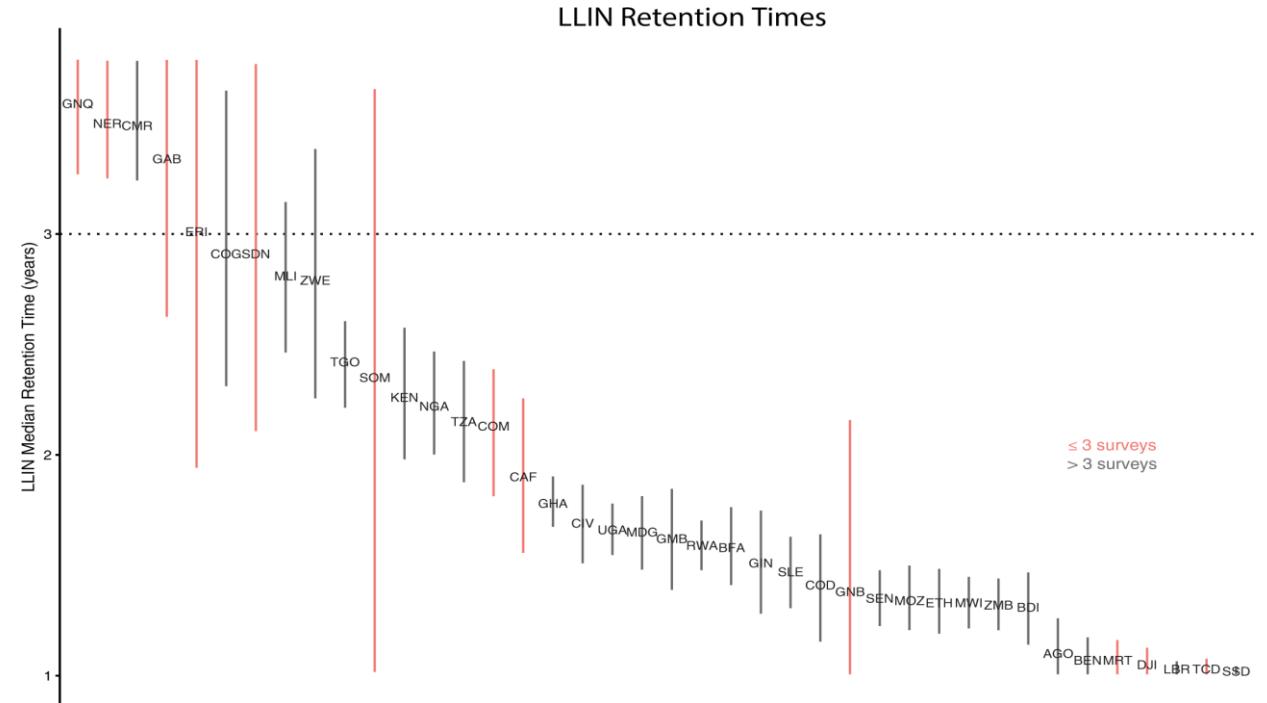
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ITNs are not lasting long enough

Three years is the recommended lifespan of ITNs.

- >50% report less than 2 years lifespan*.
- Large variability across net types and areas.



*Bertozzi-Villa A, Bever CA, Koenker H, Weiss DJ, Vargas-Ruiz C, Nandi AK, et al. Maps and metrics of insecticide-treated net access, use, and nets-per-capita in Africa from 2000-2020. *Nature Communications*. 2021; 12:3589.

Insufficient resources for durability monitoring

- Severe budget constraints limit country adoption of DM.
- High level of resources and skills required.
- Challenges in translating data into decisions.
- One size doesn't fit all.
→ Further exacerbated by recent funding cuts.

How can we help country programs collect the information they need for tailored decisions in a complex ITN landscape under severe resource constraints?

Programmes need guidance to understand PMDC landscape

Listening exercises done in 2022 with five country programmes (Burkina Faso, Pakistan, Malawi, Uganda, Nigeria).

1. Need more granular durability monitoring data for targeted decisions (subnational tailoring).
2. Budget constraints call for more tailored monitoring focussed on key programmatic decisions.
3. Ensure the collected data is utilized to its fullest potential.

Challenging

→ There is a clear call for guidelines that help identify and collect durability indicators for country decision-making.

The Post Market Data Collection toolkit

Aim: Create a toolkit that guides programmes through designing a post market data collection study: something they can also share with potential funders.

How: Modular approach inspired by the Entomological Surveillance Planning Tool (ESPT) developed by Malaria Elimination Initiative

Focus on: Programmatic decisions/actions related to procurement, distribution, monitoring.



Situation Assessment

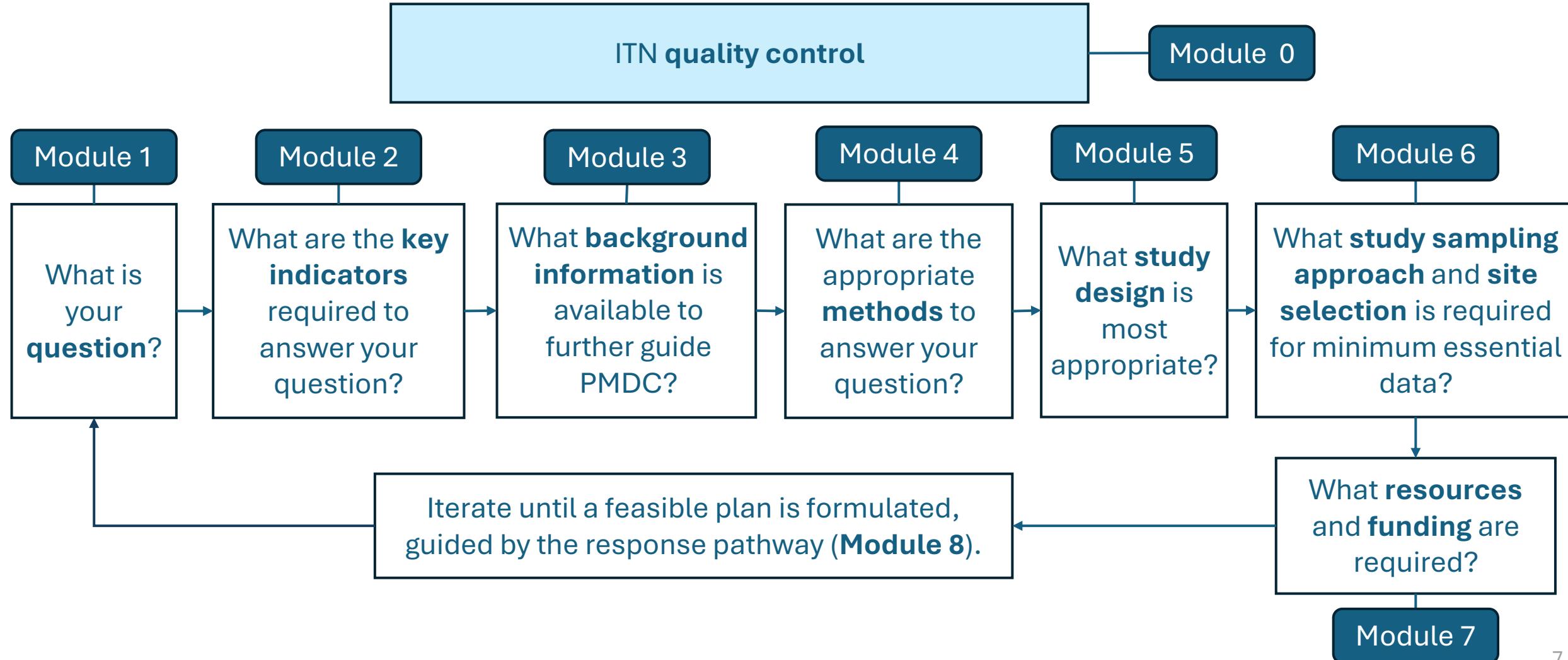


Tailored response



**Program management
and sustainability**

PMDC Toolkit modules

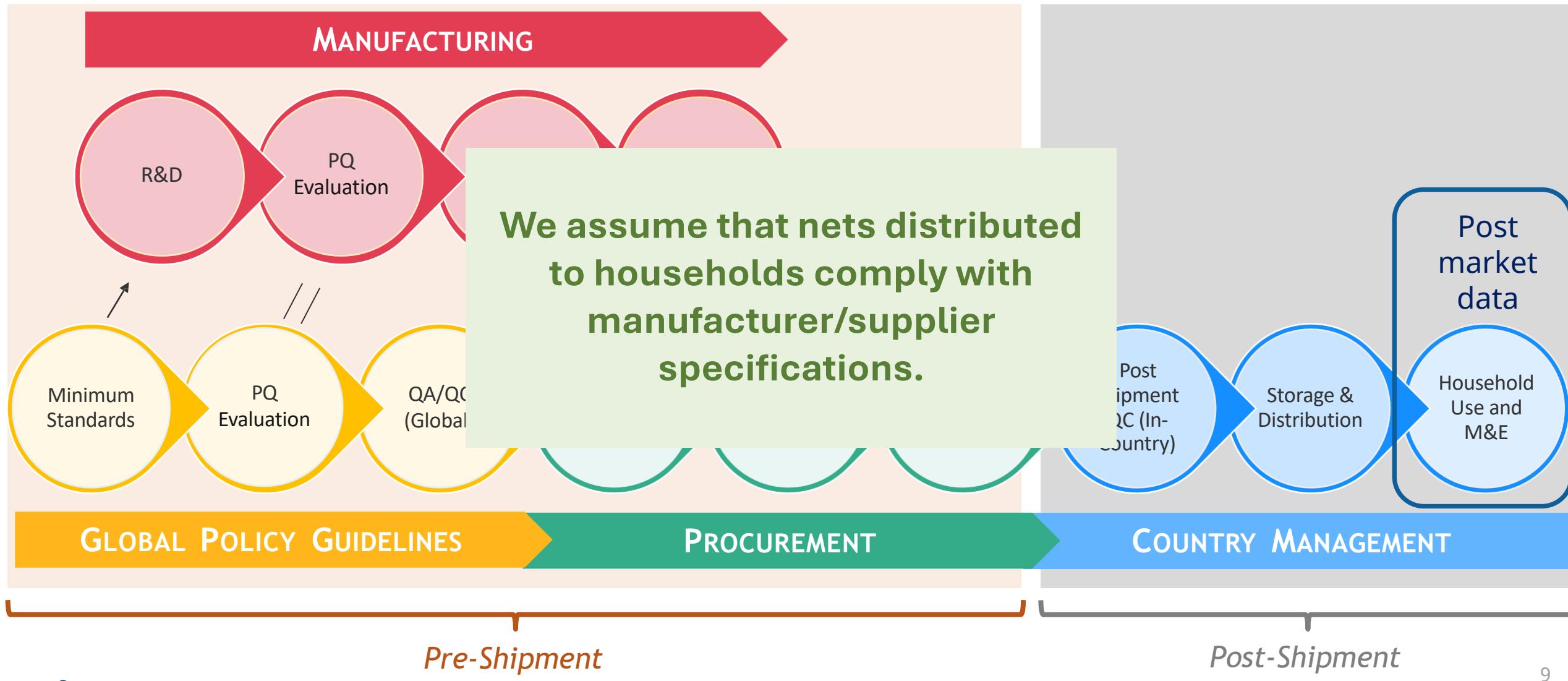


Case study

Country Y is discussing how often nets should be distributed, as there is indication that coverage is below 50% one year post distribution.

Decision: How often should ITNs be distributed?

Module 0. Net quality control



Module 1. What is your question?

Identify the programmatic decisions of interest and transform these into key questions.



Physical durability

- Can we determine the optimal net replacement intervals?
- Is there a difference in physical durability compared to previous distributions?

Insecticidal/chemical activity

- Is the insecticidal activity across the lifespan sufficient to control the local mosquito population?
- Can we determine the optimal net replacement intervals?

Net use and individual behaviours

- Are people keeping their ITNs for the duration of their useful life?
- What is the acceptability of the ITNs compared to other ITN types?

ITN setting

- Is the ITN environment accelerating net degradation?
- What individual factors are associated with longer ITN retention?

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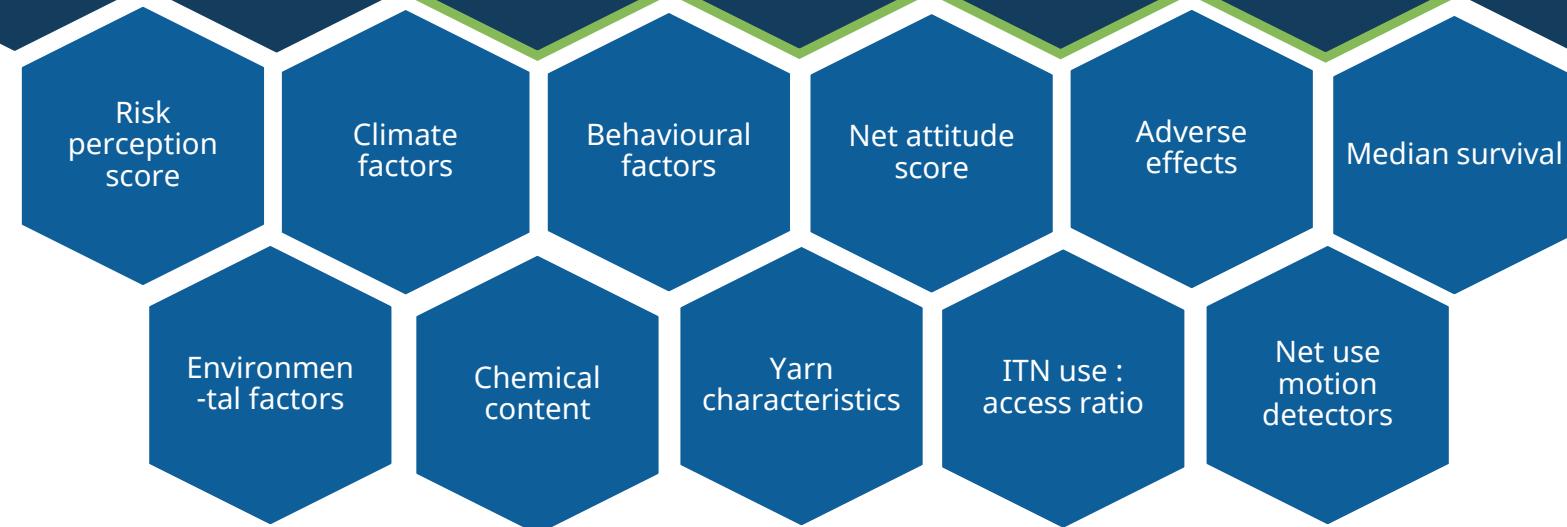
• **Question: How long are ITNs lasting in the field?**

Module 2. What are the key indicators required to answer your question?

Primary indicators



Secondary indicators



Question: How long are ITNs lasting in the field?

Module 3. What background information is available?



Question: How long are ITNs lasting in the field?

- Understand heterogeneity across the country?
- ITN type information from other countries?

Module 4. What are the appropriate methods?

Presentation of all methods associated with each indicator.

- Linked to methodologies, outcome measures and other useful guidelines.
- Highlights strengths and weaknesses to guide choice.
- Specified (where appropriate) for different chemicals.

Question: How long are ITNs lasting in the field?

Insecticidal activity

Physical integrity

Attrition

Functional survival

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WHO cone test



Tunnel test



WHO tube test



Experimental hut studies (IACT)

Module 5. What study design is most appropriate?

Identifying methodology that best aligns with your objectives.

- **Timeframe:** Prospective or retrospective?
- **Study Structure:** Longitudinal design (observing changes over time), a cross-sectional approach (a snapshot at a single point), or a combination of both?

Question: How long are ITNs lasting in the field?

- Are the nets of interest already distributed or still in storage?
- Can the nets in the field be identified to the respective distribution campaign?

Module 6. What is your study sampling approach and site selection?

Sampling approach: Lot Quality Assurance Sampling (LQAS)

Standardized monitoring

Streamlined monitoring

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Site selection:

Sentinel sites

Targeted areas (high malaria)

Transect

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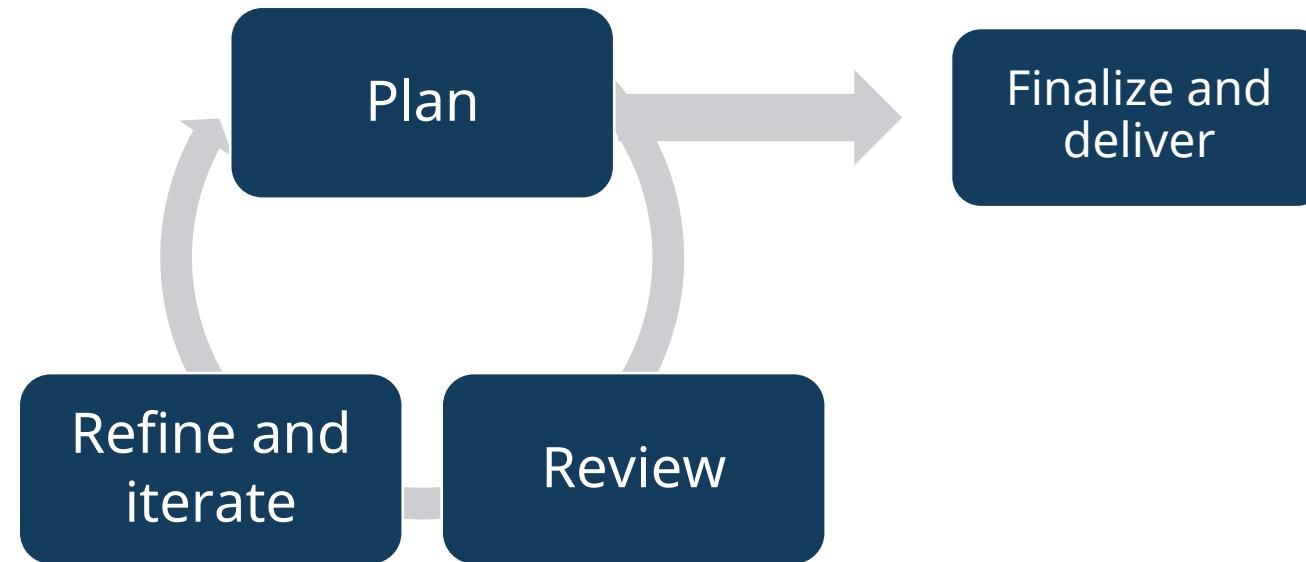
Module 7. What resources and funding are required?

Breakdown of the budget and resources required for your selected methods.

MICS BUDGET							
	No. of Units	Unit name	Time	Time Unit	Unit cost	Currency	Total Cost
Personnel, by activity							
7		Survey Management					
8		Survey coordinator	persons	days	USD		-
9		Fieldwork coordinator	persons	days	USD		-
10		Sampling expert	persons	days	USD		-
11		Data processing coor	persons	days	USD		-
12		Computer programme	persons	days	USD		-
13		Accountant	persons	days	USD		-
14		Administrative Assist	persons	days	USD		-
15		National MICS consul	persons	days	USD		-
16		Pre-test of Questionnaires					
17		Trainers - survey me	persons	days	USD		-
18		Trainers - data proce	persons	days	USD		-
19		Interviewers - Trainin	persons	days	USD		-
20		Interviewers - Pre-tes	persons	days	USD		-
21		Driver(s)	persons	days	USD		-
22		CAPI Test					
23		Trainers - survey me	persons	days	USD		-
24		Trainers - data proce	persons	days	USD		-
25		Interviewers - Trainin	persons	days	USD		-
26		Supervisors - Trainin	persons	days	USD		-
27		Interviewers and sup	persons	days	USD		-
28		Driver(s)	persons	days	USD		-

Module 8. Iterate until feasible plan is produced

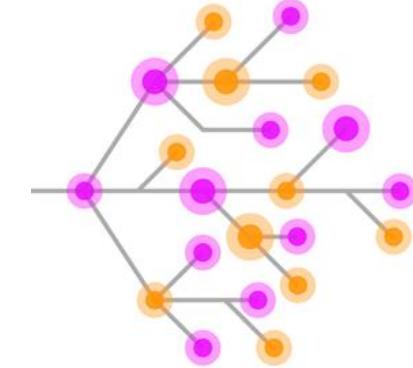
To ensure the plan fits within the resources and funding available/requested.



Turning insights into action

Response pathway (Module 9?)

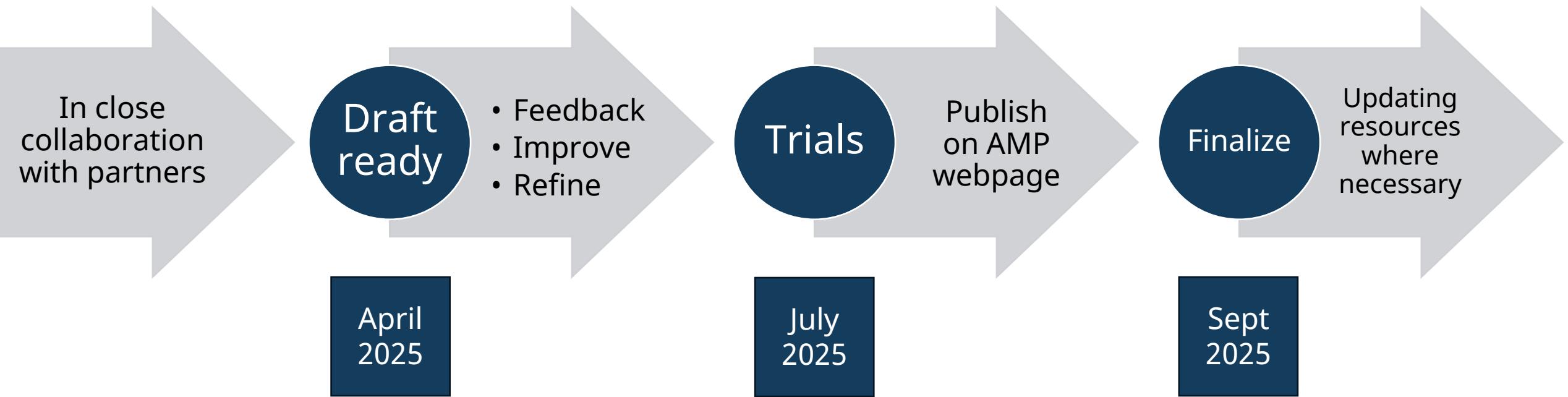
- Linking indicator outcome with response/decision.
- Key limitations within the programme (what can we change, what can't we change?).
- What are the key things to consider?



Endpoint: Consolidation of outputs from all modules.

- Use this to further refine PMDC.
- Share with potential funders.

Timeline and next steps



Thank you

National programmes from Burkina Faso, Pakistan, Malawi, Uganda, Nigeria

