Guinea's National Malaria Control Program (NMCP) included providing additional access to insecticide treated nets (ITN) through continuous distribution (retail, schools or community) as akey strategy in their 2018-2022 Strategic Malaria Control Plan.

## GUINEA

NET SCHOOL
DISTRIBUTION PILOT

Guinea NMCP, in collaboration with its partners, identified school distribution as a feasible method to maintain ITN coverage between universal coverage campaigns.

VectorWorks, a five-year USAID funded project, collaborated with President's Malaria Initiative Guinea, the Guinea NMCP, the Ministry of Education and Literacy, and other malaria partners working in Guinea to implement a school distribution pilot in April 2018



- School pilot implemented in Boffa; evaluated in Boffa with Dubreka as a control district
- 1040 households surveyed from May 5-16, 2018
- Survey included questions on demographics, net ownership, net use and exposure to SBCC messages surveyed from May 5-16, 2018



**182** primary schools in Boffa participated in the pilot



**20,488** ITNs distributed to students in classes 1, 3 and 5



673 teachers trained in causes of malaria, malaria prevention, and distribution of ITNs



**180** radio spots broadcast in 3 languages (Pular, Bagga, Susu) over 6 weeks



## **EVALUATION OF**

INSECTICIDE TREATED NET SCHOOL **DISTRIBUTION PILOT** 

This evaluation aimed to understand the context of ITN access and ownership in households following a school distribution campaign

## **Preliminary Results**

**Boffa: Dubreka** Intervention Site: Control Site



of households own at least 1 ITN\*

of households received an ITN from a school distribution ITN\*



31% VS 21%

of households have at least one ITN for every two members\*

58% VS 38%

of the population have access to an ITN within their own household



47% VS 24%

of the population used an ITN the previous night\* **35% VS 18%** 

of school aged kids used an ITN the previous night\*



Similar trends seen among kids under five, women aged 15-49, and pregnant women



56% VS 3%

of households heard about school ITN distribution messages\*

48% VS 6%

of households heard messages about ITN use, care, and repair\*

> \* statistically significant at p<0.05 ohildren aged 5-15 years











