# partnering to bring an end to malaria

## (and protect community health)

In late 2021, the World Health Organization (WHO) approved the first-ever malaria vaccine for children in Africa, a region where the disease's constant presence poses a very real threat to public health.

The endorsement for this first-of-its-kind vaccine marked a major milestone in the quest to bring an end to malaria, which WHO estimates killed 627,000 people worldwide in 2020, the majority of which (roughly 80%) were children under the age of five in Africa.

Those are sobering statistics when you consider malaria can be prevented and that it's curable when diagnosed in its earliest stages and treated quickly.

One of the biggest barriers to prevention and detection can be access to reliable and consistent health care. Chevron is working to tackle that challenge for communities in Nigeria through a new grant that has been awarded to PATH, a global organization focused on health equity and one of our corporate partners. As part of the grant, PATH is working with the Nigeria Ministry of Health to develop a roadmap that will guide when, where and how the new malaria vaccine will be rolled out in Nigeria to the highest risk populations.



Akhigbemen Edoisewele, performance engineer and peer health educator, shares information about malaria with the Nigeria Mid-Africa Wells team.

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people killed killed by malaria worldwide in 2020

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bed nets and curtain hand outs

There's still a lot of work to do to bring an end to malaria, but this grant aims to help ensure young people with the greatest need, to have access to readily available health care resources when and where they're needed. Working with community partners, like PATH, we can make our communities healthier and safer places for everyone to live and work.

#### recognizing world malaria day

Each year, Chevron recognizes World Malaria Day on April 25 to increase awareness of this threat to health and well-being in regions where it remains prevalent today. There are many ways our network of Peer Health Educators – employees who volunteer their time to provide informal or organized health-related education and activities with their peers – supports these events around the world.

#### malaria was spotlighted in the southern africa strategic business unit (SASBU) by:

**3,000** people

More than 3,000 people, including employees and family members, visited local Chevron medical clinics for malaria consultation and education.



Nearly 1,400 bed nets and almost 1,800 insecticide-treated curtains were distributed to local residents, as both are proven to be protective barriers that prevent malaria infection.



Leaders remain vocal advocates for malaria awareness, like Managing Director Billy Lacobie, who participated in virtual events to express support of prevention, detection and treatment.

#### in the Nigeria mid-africa (NMA) business unit, malaria was spotlighted through:

- Virtual events to help raise awareness and increase visibility.
- OE moments to educate work groups about malaria and mosquito-borne illnesses.
- Webinars organized by Peer Health Educators for their colleagues involving trusted health experts, like Dr. Igwe Ukandu, an endocrinology consultant at Chevron Hospital Gbagada. Dr. Ukandu touched on many topics, including new and emerging malaria vaccines and the future outlook for malaria prevention to highlight how innovation can reduce the prevalence of illness and save lives. With their activities, the Peer Health Educators are able to positively impact the health of their communities.

