

YGC DISTRIBUTES OVER 1m NETS IN EKITI

In an effort to roll back malaria in Nigeria, the Yakubu Gowon Centre, a principal recipient of the Global Fund (to fight AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria) distributed 1,002,120 free Long Lasting Insecticide-treated Nets (LLIN) to all the 16 LGAs in Ekiti state, Nigeria.

The campaign was aimed at reducing the endemic cases of malaria in the state and increasing the ownership of mosquito nets to 2 per every household. This is because treated nets if well used can act as a barrier to mosquitoes and also prevent such from biting its victims.

This is also in line with the goal of the new National Malaria Control Strategic Plan (NMSP) to address the reduction of malaria-related maternal and child mortality, with at least 50% reduction in malaria-related morbidity and mortality by 2013 along with reduction in the socio-economic impact of the disease in Nigeria.

The campaign which lasted for 26 days, employed the services of over 7,900 personnel in the state. At the end of the distribution campaign process, a total of



Participants at state TOT



Participants at training in Emure LGA



YGC team mobilizing a woman in ado-ekiti



Practical example of how to hang a net



Women queuing up with net cards to collect nets



Some of the recipients