

Background:

Malaria remains a serious public health problem in Uganda, accounting for 4% of the global malaria cases. Malaria is endemic in nearly all of Uganda where it is responsible for 30-50% of outpatient visits, 15-20% of hospital admissions and up to 20% of inpatient deaths. Despite this heavy burden, significant progress has been made over the recent past due to the substantial investment in malaria control. Reported malaria cases declined nearly 45% from about 16,000,000 in 2013 to 8,820,000 in 2016, with parasite prevalence in children <5-years reduced from 42% in 2009 to 19% in 2014. These gains are however fragile as evidenced by malaria resurgence in 2016, especially in Northern Uganda.



H.E Yoweri K Museveni with Ms Charlie Webster at the launch of UPFM and MAAM

The UPFM formed as a result of a resolution of parliament, and launched by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Uganda on 5th April 2018, is a platform of Members of Parliament from different political shades who collectively generate visibility and provide leadership to the control and eventual elimination of malaria from Uganda. The forum serves as advocates for political, legislative and community action for a malaria free Uganda. The UPFM aims to respond effectively to the scourge of Malaria through advocacy and providing best examples for raising the profile of malaria at both national and international arena. UPFM uses its members to intensify the legislative, budgetary and oversight role to cultivate visibility of malaria issues at policy level. Each Member of Parliament has taken up the mantle of ensuring **“a malaria free constituency is my responsibility”**.

Vision: To have a “**Malaria Free Uganda**”.

Mission: A platform that serves as advocates for political, legislative and community action for a malaria free Uganda.

Goal: To achieve malaria free constituencies with zero malaria deaths, new cases are not more than 30 per 1000 population per year and people remain parasite free.

Aims

- To improve the political, policy and funding environment to combat the suffering and mortality caused by Malaria.
- To provide a focal point at parliament for legislators interested in malaria and connect them with experts.
- To increase funding and promote solutions for effective malaria reduction by developing a cohesive partnership and raising awareness, knowledge and support among parliamentarians in Europe.
- To promote the exchange of knowledge, information and good practice, share lessons and support and coordinate the work of parliamentarians around specific events such as World Malaria Day.

Objectives

- To advocate for the implementation of laws, policies and programs on malaria issues at the central and local government levels.
- To advocate for increased budgetary allocations in National and Local governments so as to ensure effective health service delivery.
- To promote malaria awareness.
- To equip UPFM secretariat with human and other resources to fulfil its mandate.

Accountability

- Hold government accountable to their international and regional commitment to health.
- To monitor donor funds on malaria and their impact on the community.
- To monitor local government funds to ensure effective implementation and compliance of malaria service delivery.

As Legislators

- Hold government accountable to their international and regional commitments to health.
- Initiate and establish policy bases for decisive government action in specific areas of Health.
- Enhance cooperation and exchange of information between Ugandan Parliamentarians and foreign Parliamentary groups with the same case within their authority to improve Health policies.

As Community Leaders and Public Figures

- Engage partner organizations to join in mobilizing constituents, media and civil society representatives for Massive Action Against Malaria (MAAM)
- Introduce parliamentary resolution reaffirming support for malaria stricken constituencies.

Within the Budgetary Influence

- Endorse government commitment to allocate at least 15% of national budget on health as per the Abuja Declaration.
- Advocate for a strong support to the New Malaria financing mechanism aiming to mobilize additional resources.

Achievements since Inception

1. Uganda Parliamentary Forum on Malaria was successfully launched by H.E. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni on the 5th of April 2018.
2. Uganda Parliamentary Forum on Malaria was well represented shortly after its launch at the World Malaria Summit in London in April 2018.
3. Uganda Parliamentary Forum on Malaria has successfully built strategic alliances with stakeholders like the Ministry of Health, All Party

Parliamentary Group on Malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases, Malaria No More, UNICEF, ALMA, SPEED, USAID, UKAID, Roll Back Malaria (RBM) Partnership, PILGRIM AFRICA, HEPS, CLINTON FOUNDATION, Chase Malaria, PATH, Uganda UK Health Alliance, WHO, PACE, AMREF, DFID, Malaria Consortium, Sightsavers, Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI), Global Fund, PSI, CDC, UHMG etc.

4. Uganda Parliamentary Forum on Malaria successfully hosted the All Party Parliamentary Group on Malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases on an experience sharing visit in Uganda



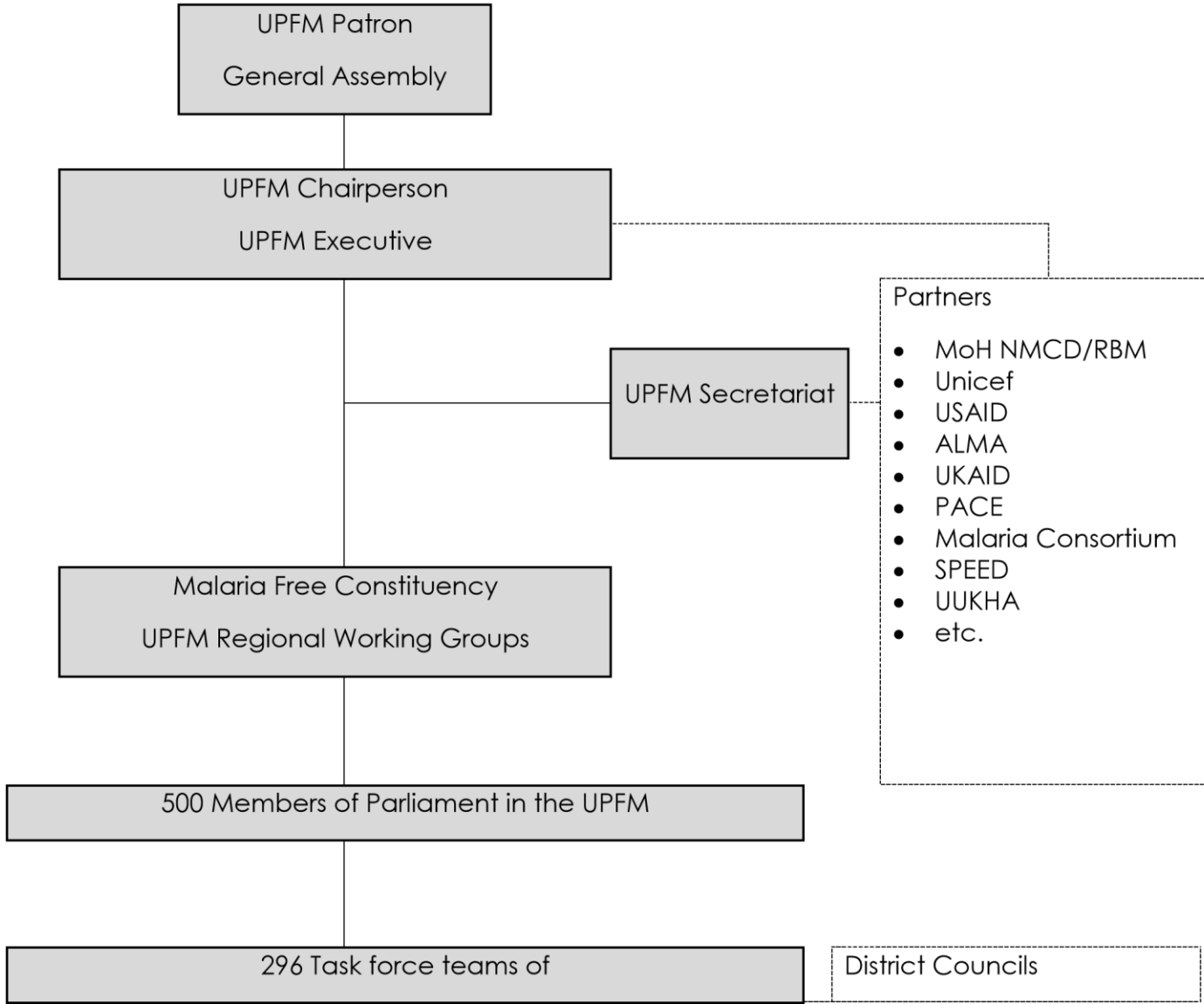
Lord McColl, Lady McColl, H.E. Y.K. Museveni, Lord Trees and the organizing Committee

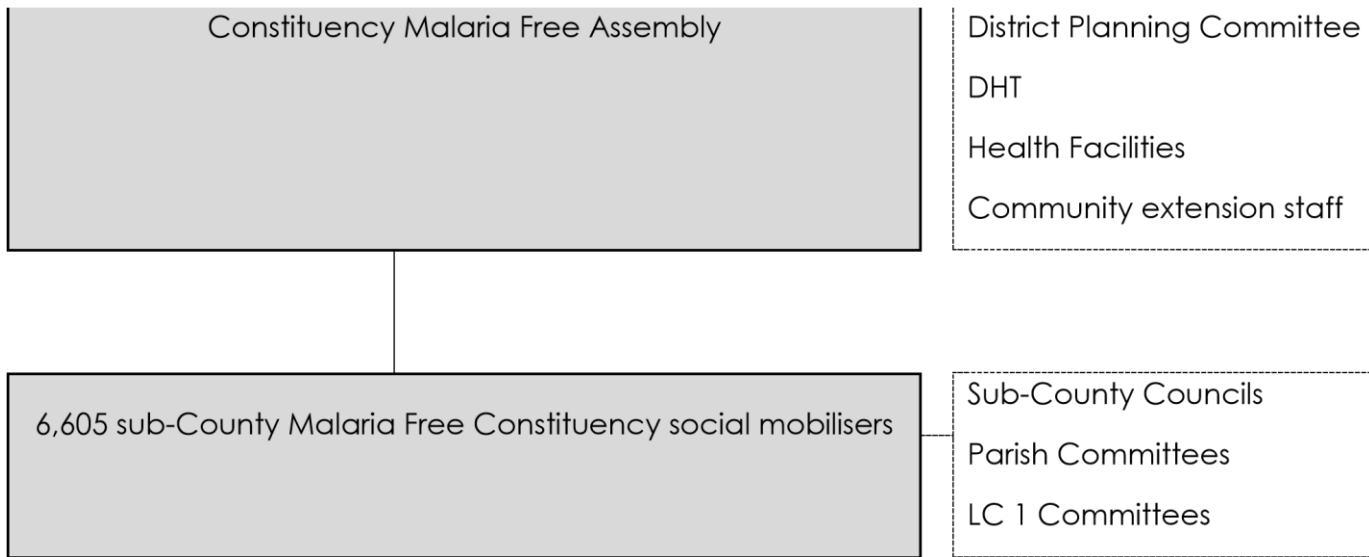
Uganda Parliamentary Forum on Malaria successfully joined the world the world in commemorating the World Malaria day in 2018 in Mpigi where the National Celebrations were held.

Executive Committee

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