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Key priorities:

- **Expanded mapping** is needed to determine trachoma endemicity and validate the elimination of trachoma as a public health problem in the region.
- **Health system strengthening** is needed to identify and manage trachomatous trichiasis and integrate health services for NTDs and eye health.
- **Equity and health** increased access to SAFE interventions is needed for populations living in hard-to-reach areas including indigenous populations.

Challenges remain:

- **Not enough resources**
- **Hard-to-reach populations**
- **Inequity**
- **Environmental threats**
- **Humanitarian crises**

The elimination of trachoma will contribute to multiple Sustainable Development Goals:

- **Goal 1**: No poverty
- **Goal 4**: Quality education
- **Goal 5**: Gender equality
- **Goal 6**: Clean water and sanitation
- **Goal 17**: Partnerships for the goals