

## UPDATE FROM THE EPIDEMIOLOGY WORKING GROUP

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### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

An interim surveillance guideline published online

### 1. Early detection and rapid control of cholera outbreaks

- The "yellow book" on response to cholera outbreaks has been revised
- An briefing note describing the roles and responsibilities of the outbreak investigation teams vs rapid response team under-development

### 2. Multi-sectorial interventions in highly endemic areas

 Guidance to conduct situation analysis as part of the development or review of the National Cholera Control Plans

# SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS — KEY COMPONENT OF THE NATIONAL CHOLERA CONTROL PLANS

- 1. Epidemiological analysis to identify cholera burden hotspots
  - Hotspots are a subset of areas at risk: other areas with low or no cholera presenting conditions conductive for transmission might be also targeted in the NCP
- 2. Contextual factors to refine the areas at risk
- 3. WaSH indicators

Dynamic process: baseline analysis followed by annual updates

### OTHER AREAS OF WORK FROM PARTNERS

- Development of statistical methods to combine microbiological data (RDT and culture/PCR results) and epidemiological data to obtain better estimates of cholera incidence
- Development of statistical methods to estimate recent cholera incidence using serological data
- Development of mathematical models to forecast the evolution of cholera outbreaks
- Combine epidemiological and genetic analysis to inform global cholera circulation

### 2019-2020 PRIORITIES

- Development of a briefing note on Outbreak Investigation Teams and Rapid Response Teams
- 2. Finalization of the guideline on how to conduct a Situational Analysis, including a simple tool to support the analysis
- 3. Development of a first proposal of procedures to certify cholera elimination
- 4. Advance towards the development a real time and open source global repository of cholera incidence
- 5. Review and update the Research Agenda



## THANKS