



Cholera Situation in Malawi

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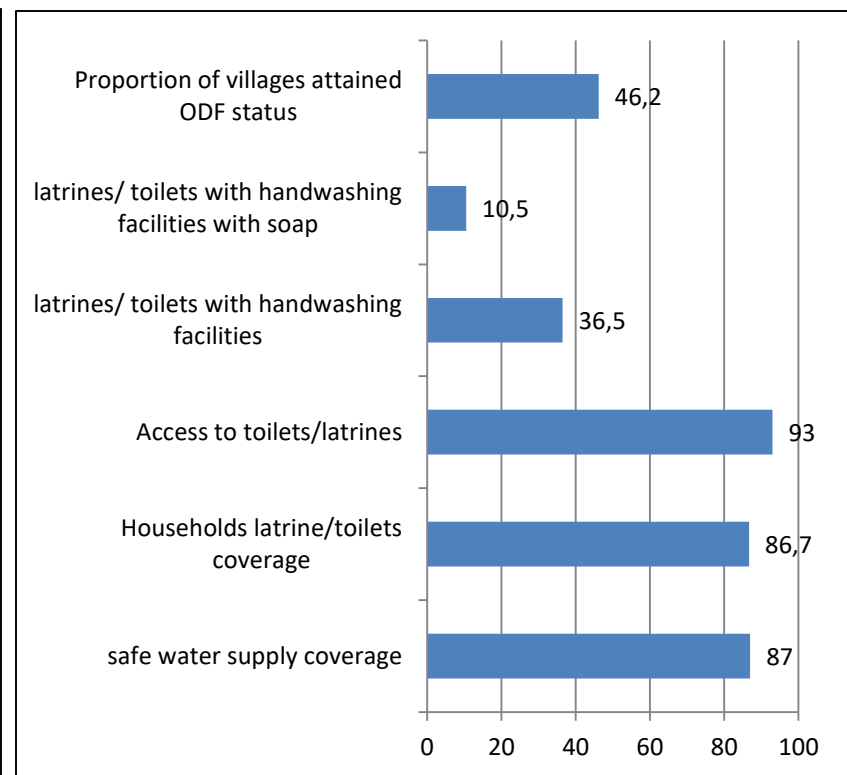
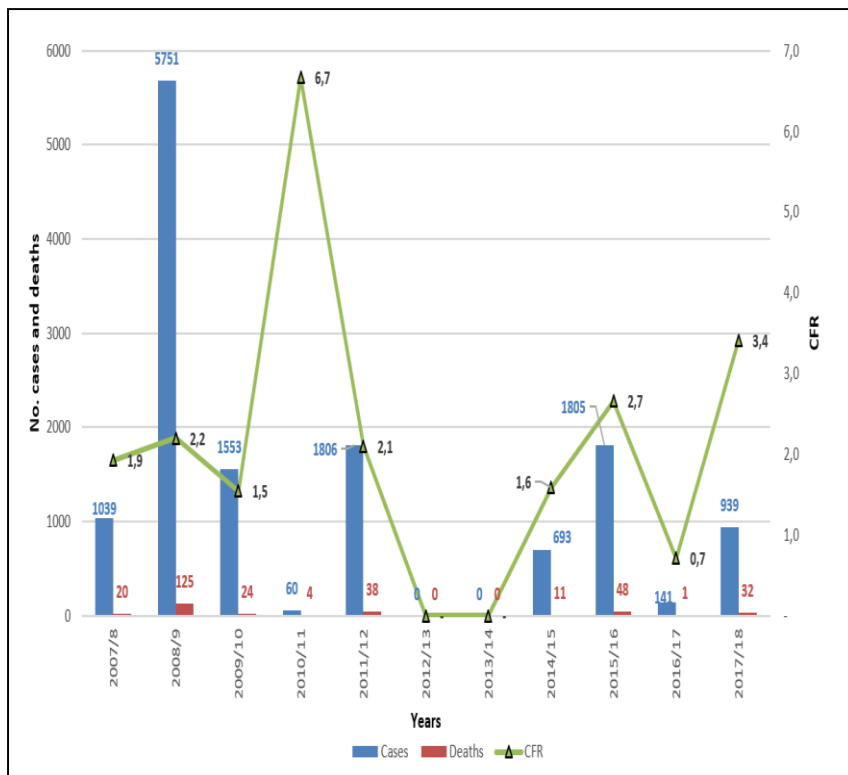
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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Cholera and WASH Situation in Malawi
- Cholera control Interventions
- Oral Cholera Vaccine campaigns conducted
- Expected support from GTFCC in Malawi
- Integrated and multisectoral approach in cholera control
- Conclusion

CHOLERA SITUATION IN MALAWI, (2007 – 2018) AND WASH INDICATORS, 2018



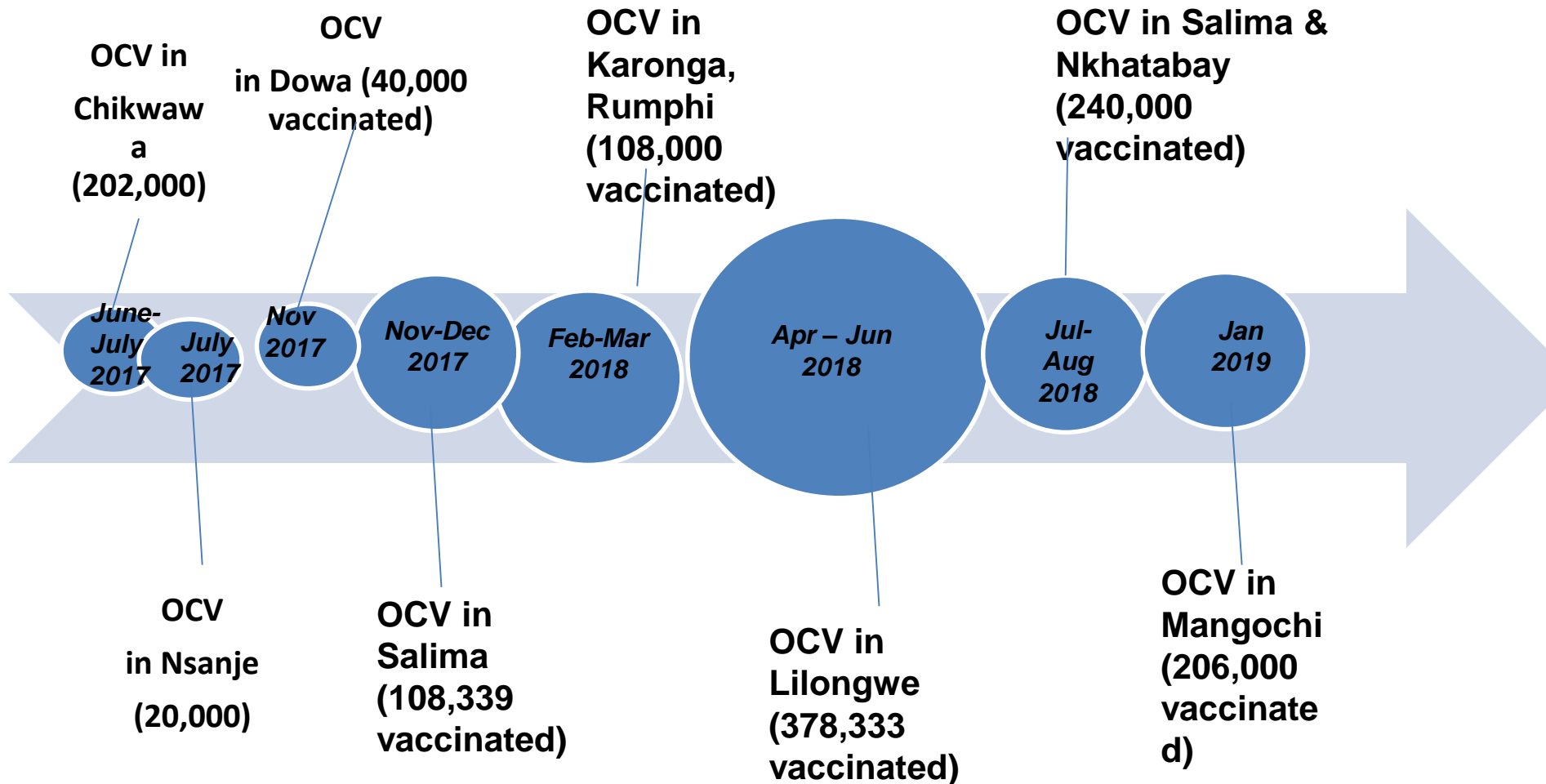
- In 2018/2019 cholera cases and deaths have markedly reduced (cholera year starts from November to October)
- 25 cumulative cases of cholera with 1 death were reported in 2018 / 2019.

ONGOING EFFORTS

In line with SDGs and global roadmap “ending cholera, global roadmap for 2030”

- WASH – Provision of potable water including pot chlorination, Open Defecation Free (ODF) campaigns, hand washing with soap, etc.
- Implementation IDSR with lab confirmation of cholera
- Prompt & appropriate case management in CTC
- OCV expansion
- Cross border surveillance and collaboration
- Health education,

OCV CAMPAIGNS CONDUCTED IN MALAWI (Jun. 2017 – Nov. 2018)



COORDINATION MECHANISMS IN CHOLERA CONTROL

- Coordination structures for prevention and control of cholera and rest of public Health emergencies are available at both national and district Levels (they are called Health and WASH Clusters are coordinated by the Department of Disaster Management Affairs(DoDMA)).
- Ministry of Health leads the Health cluster where all related Governmental and all non-governmental organizations (local and international) are members.
- The clusters main roles include production of contingency plans which are used for resource mobilization to prepare and respond to disasters and public health emergencies.
- Joint Health and WASH cluster meetings are also conducted to review progress in prevention and control efforts as well as replanning.
- Technical committees which report to these main structures are also in place ,for example rapid response teams (RRTs)

CHALLENGES



Cyclone Idai and strong winds disaster that Malawi experienced in March 2019 caused damage to water and sanitation infrastructure and affected communities need to be assisted to build back better(BBB) such infrastructure

- Sometimes we get periods or years without cholera – it is difficult to get support from partners when there is no cholera.
- Challenge is doing mapping of all partners where they are working and what resources they have for cholera related activities.
- More financial resources needed
 - For supplies for cholera prevention and treatment (including protective wear for health workers)
 - For refresher training on cholera case management for health workers
- Regular flooding during rainy season for example; Cyclone Idai in March 2019.
 - Displaced communities
 - Challenging access to WASH

EXPECTED SUPPORT FROM GTFCC

- Strides made in WASH coverage in the past 3 years (with financial support from the Global Sanitation Fund (GSF) and other partners eg waterAid, DFID).
- Malawi needs more financial support to re-build in the floods hit(cyclone Idai) districts, reach more cholera hotspot areas and also sustain ODF status in the TAs that already attained ODF status.
- Three million US dollars WASH proposal has been prepared.

EXPECTED SUPPORT FROM GTFCC

The OCV doses balance of 660,000 from the already approved doses of 3,232,198 will be used as follows:

- Nsanje 520,000 doses in June 2019
- Phalombe 140,000 doses in August 2019

The requested additional OCV doses of 668,000 will be used as follows:

- Zomba 340,000 doses in August 2019
- Machinga 328,000 doses in October 2019

The request on the above support was already submitted

Malawi also request for continued support with OCV from the GTFCC until the cholera is eliminated in the coming few years.

CONCLUSION

The Government of Malawi, with support from partners, is committed to eliminating cholera in Malawi

The Government of Malawi would like to thank the Global Task Force on Cholera Control and all Partners for the support they provide in cholera control

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION