



# GLOBAL TASK FORCE ON CHOLERA CONTROL

## Hybrid meeting of the Global Task Force on Cholera Control (GTFCC) Working Group on Surveillance (Epidemiology and Laboratory) 20 - 21 April 2022

### Scope and objectives

In 2021, the Epidemiology and the Laboratory Working Groups joined their forces to create four sub-working groups to address cross-cutting topics to strengthen cholera surveillance.

The preliminary outcomes of these sub-working groups will be presented, including:

- the principles of a surveillance and testing strategy adapted to cholera transmission intensity
- the way forward for the recognition of cholera free status
- a new framework for the identification of priority areas for interventions (“cholera hotspots”)
- perspectives for regional surveillance

Surveillance challenges and achievements will be illustrated through various examples, and discussion among technical experts, GTFCC partners, countries and regions will be encouraged to collectively shape the way forward and identify next priorities to continue strengthen cholera surveillance (Epidemiology and Laboratory) in order to better inform multisectoral strategies to End cholera.

### Agenda

#### Wednesday, 20 April: Adaptive surveillance strategy -from control to elimination

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Session	Content
14.00– 14.10	Opening remarks from Working Group chairs
<b>Surveillance strategy</b>	
14.10– 14.40	Principles of an adaptive surveillance strategy
14.40– 14.50	Country experience
14.50 – 15.00	Perspectives to support the extended use of Rapid Diagnostic Tests
15.00– 15.30	Discussion
15.30 – 16.00	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>Cholera free status</b>	
16.00 – 16.15	Principles for the documentation, recognition and maintenance of a cholera free status
16.15– 16.30	Country experience
16.30 – 17.00	Discussion

## Thursday, 21 April: Surveillance support and outcomes

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Session	Content
<b>Hotspot identification</b>	
14.00 – 14.15	Revised GTFCC hotspot framework
14.15 –14.25	Country experience
14.25 – 14.45	Discussion
<b>Regional surveillance and coordination</b>	
14.45 – 14.55	Regional surveillance and coordination– state of play and perspectives
14.55 – 15.05	Regional experience
15.05 – 15.30	Discussion
15.30 – 16.00	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>Electronic surveillance from local data collection to global centralization</b>	
16.00- 16.05	Country experience / demo
16.05-16.10	Global cholera database / demo
16.10-16.15	Dashboard on official figures reported annually to WHO
16.15 – 16.25	Perspectives for e-surveillance
16.25- 16.45	Discussion
<b>Wrap up</b>	
16.45-16.55	Way forward for the Surveillance Working Group – next priorities and working modalities
16.55-17.00	Closing remarks