



GLOBAL TASK FORCE ON CHOLERA CONTROL

GTCCC Independent Review Panel

1. Terms of Reference and Members

The Independent Review Panel (IRP) is *“an independent, impartial team of experts appointed by the GTCCC Steering Committee as proposed by Secretariat, with the responsibility of providing rigorous, independent technical assessment of country National Cholera Plans for Control or Elimination (NCPs).”*

IRP members serve in their individual capacity and do not represent their employer, government or any other entity.

The IRP members have been chosen for their expertise. Other criteria that were taken into account in the selection process were the gender and region of origin.

List of IRP members:

| Name | Affiliation |
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| Mr. Andrew Azman | Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health |
| Mr Tajul Islam Abdul Bari | icddr,b |
| Ms Karin Gallandat | London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine |
| Mr Nirmal Kumar Ganguly | India Council of Medical Research |
| Ms Trina Helderman | Independent |
| Ms Louise Ivers | Mass General Hospital Boston |
| Mr Ibrahim Kabole | Zanzibar State University, School of Health and Allied Sciences-Based |
| Ms Daniele Lantagne | Tufts University |
| Ms Heather Papowitz | Independent |
| Mr Nicholas Thomson | Sanger Institute |
| Mr Sebastian Yennan | Nigeria CDC |

2. Ways of working

The GTFCC Secretariat will be responsible for managing the IRP process, it will ensure appropriate and timely communication between IRP members and countries. The GTFCC Secretariat does not have a technical role in the review of NCPs.

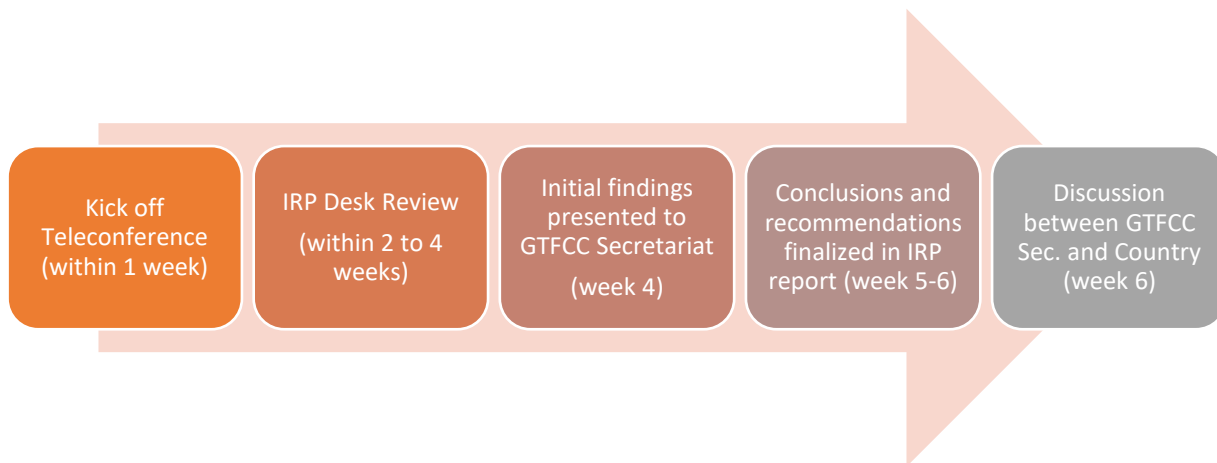
The Secretariat will also manage the conflicts of interest. If a potential conflict of interest is perceived, the Secretariat can decide to exclude IRP member(s) from a specific NCP review.

For each review, the Secretariat will confirm the availability of IRP members. A Chair will also be designated among the IRP and a key criterion will be experience working with the country submitting its NCP. The Chair will be responsible for coordinating the work of the IRP members and to develop the final report.

The Secretariat also reserves the right to definitively exclude members that do not participate or respond to emails.

3. Timeline of NCP reviews

Each review will take about 6 weeks and below is a summary timeline.



4. GTFCC Guidance and Tools

The GTFCC Secretariat has developed a guidance for the reviewers in order to standardize the process. It includes a set of principles and criteria that are key for the endorsement:

- the multi-sectoral approach and the alignment of the NCP with the Global Roadmap
- the situational analysis, including the identification of the cholera hotspots
- the feasibility of the proposed interventions and their alignment with the situational analysis by Roadmap pillar of the NCP framework.