



**UN Haiti Cholera Response Multi-Partner Trust Fund
PROJECT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT
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Project Number and Title: #3- Preventing and cutting cholera transmission on the four persistent departments	PROJECT START DATE: 01-Jun-2017	AMOUNT ALLOCATED by MPTF \$500,000		RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION UNICEF																								
Project ID: 00105774 (Gateway ID)		Other Sources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government of Japan \$2,600,000 CERF LOAN \$8,000,000 Government of Canada \$1,500,000 		IMPLEMENTING PARTNER(S):																								
Project Focal Point: Name: Gregory BULIT E-mail: gbulit@unicef.org Telephone : (509) 4893 7064	EXTENSION DATE: n/a	Government Input: National coordination salary		MSPP (Government) DINEPA (Government) ACF, ACTED, OXFAM, Solidarites International, IFRC, CRF (NGOs)																								
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Epidemiological situation: <p>The epidemiological trend continues to show positive signs despite a slight increase in the last four weeks with about 200-250 suspected cases being reported per week (including a mix of cholera and other acute watery diarrhoea cases). As of end of July, the total number of cases was 8,894 compared to 26,799 for the same period in 2016. Confirmed cholera cases account for approximately 30-40 per cent of reported cases tested by the national laboratory. The recent increase is largely due to two localized outbreaks in the Centre and Low Artibonite. While the Centre department is now under control, low Artibonite still has approximately 100 suspected cases per week. With the exception of a small hotspot in the South, the rest of the country is calm. Nevertheless, we are in the middle of the high-risk period with hurricanes Irma and Jose on their way to Haiti, which could severely affect access to water and sanitary conditions in the coming days/weeks, hence resulting in an upsurge of diarrhoeal diseases, including cholera where the disease is still active.</p>																												

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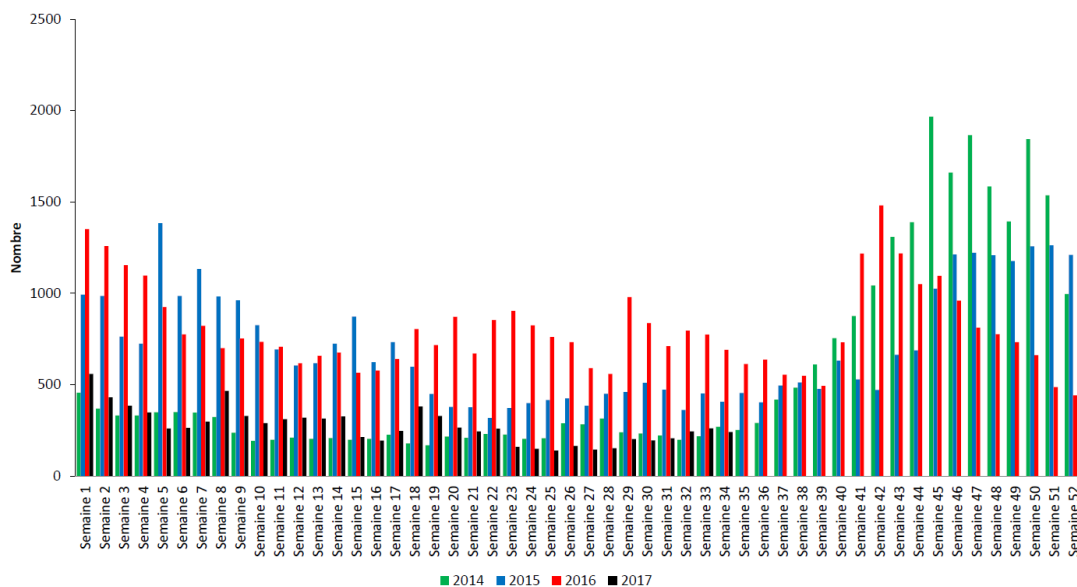


Figure 1: Weekly number of suspected cases (2014-2017). Source: MSPP/DEL.R.

Key achievements:

Reinforced National and departmental coordination

In order to strengthen coordination at national and departmental level, UNICEF and WHO/PAHO have constituted a joined coordination cell embedded at the Ministry of Public Health and Population (MSPP). Although already in place, this remains to be strengthened to increase the capacity of surveillance and decision-making of the National Technical Committee Against Cholera (MSPP and DINEPA). Coordination meetings take place every Monday.

Improved rapid response

The high impact operation launched in the West department in July has allowed to keep the exceptionally low level of suspected cases in this high risk department, with a majority of negative cholera cases after laboratory confirmation. Depending on the impact of hurricanes Irma and Jose, the operation is planned to end by early October but some teams could be deployed to hurricane affected areas if needed, weakening the prevention system in place. As of today, 16 response teams are active in the West department, reinforced by ten prevention teams.

The Centre department also received three additional teams in July, which contributed to the rapid control of the ongoing outbreak in remote areas of Boucan Carre commune.

COMMUNITY RESPONSE AT A GLANCE – Summary of activities	August 2017
Suspected cases reported by MSPP	669
Responded cases by NGOs teams	1,173
Number of response achieved	1,010
% of response < 48 h	91%
% of responded cases	86%
Number of joint responses EMIRA (MSPP) + NGO	324
% of joint responses	30%
Average of households per response (i.e. “cordon sanitaire” size)	12
Number of persons treated with chimioprophyllaxy	5,247
Number of households having received at least one Household Water Treatment (HWT) product	12,219
Number of persons sensitized	62,813
Number of disinfected houses	7,377
Average number of disinfected houses per response	8.5
Number of emergency water chlorination points activated	73



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Improved control of water systems chlorination in the West department

Another key element for controlling cholera is ensuring drinking water chlorination in the West department. This department represents the main risk of national outbreak due to the dense population living in poor sanitary conditions. The project will strengthen the regional office of DINEPA (*Direction Nationale de l'Eau Potable et de l'Assainissement*) for the West department to ensure water systems chlorination control in key areas and restart private water trucks chlorination monitoring that has stopped due to lack of funding in 2016.

Four technical DINEPA agents are now supported by UNICEF. The project will allow them to be more reactive and to better contribute to local response. They have a responsibility of counter-verification of the water quality distributed by the Port-au-Prince CTE (*Centre Technique d'Exploitation*) as requested by the regional DINEPA director as well as support to private basin chlorination (more than 200 private reservoirs identified and chlorinated).

UNICEF already provides support to the DINEPA cholera cell composed of three agents with salary payment and logistic support.

Increased communication to the public

Three communication plans are being implemented for the departments of Artibonite, Center and West. These plans aim to involve community through empowerment of local authorities and community networks / associations. The strategy developed by these plans is to strengthen social communication through action messages. New messages and tools were made to achieve the goal. In addition, these plans also aims to strengthen communication at the CTC / CTDA level between patients and health workers.

The following list of IEC tools and materials have been distributed to departmental level MSPP:

West department	Total
T-Shirts for EMIRA, NGO teams and community agents	626
Hats	626
Messages through churches as platform	500
Messages Crieurs	700
Posters CTC/CTDA	40
Planches cholera	130
Textile bags for cholera kits	4,760
Stickers « <i>Dlo Traité</i> » (treated water)	4,500
Stickers « <i>Lavage des mains</i> » (handwashing)	4,500
Stickers « <i>Fruits et Légumes</i> » (fruits and vegetables)	4,500
Megaphones	20

Centre department	Total
T-Shirts for EMIRA, NGO teams and community agents	182
Hats	182
Messages through churches as platform	100
Messages Crieurs	100
Posters CTC/CTDA	20
Planches cholera	30
Textile bags for cholera kits	2,600
Stickers « <i>Dlo Traité</i> » (treated water)	1,200
Stickers « <i>Lavage des mains</i> » (handwashing)	1,200
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Artibonite department	Total
T-Shirts for EMIRA, NGO teams and community agents	164
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MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT RESULTS MATRIX

OUTPUT INDICATORS

Indicator	Geographic Area	Projected Target (as per results matrix)	Quantitative results for this current reporting period	Cumulative results since project commencement (quantitative)	Delivery Rate (cumulative % of projected total) as of date
<i>Description of the quantifiable indicator as set out in the approved project proposal</i>					
# department where coordination of the alert-response is reinforced	West, Centre, Artibonite, North	4	3	3	75%
# MoH Rapid Response Teams supported in the four Departments	West, Centre, Artibonite, North	4	4	4	100%
# DINEPA chlorination agents supported in the West departments	West, Centre, Artibonite, North	10	4	4	40%
# of communication plans implemented before July 2017	West, Centre, Artibonite, North	4	3	3	75%