



**UN Haiti Cholera Response MPTF  
PROJECT QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT  
Period (Quarter-Year): 30 June 2021**

<b>PROJECT NUMBER and TITLE:</b> CLH7 Strengthening the national response for the elimination of cholera in Haiti <b>Project ID:</b> 00122749 (Gateway ID)	<b>PROJECT START DATE<sup>1</sup>:</b> 8 July 2020	AMOUNT ALLOCATED by MPTF <i>(please indicate different tranches if applicable)</i>				<b>RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION</b> -UNICEF -PAHO																									
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<b>Proposal Location (Departments):</b> Haiti - Nationwide	<b>PROJECTED END DATE:</b> 6 March 2022	<b>EXPENDITURES</b> <i>Estimated as of 31-12-2020</i>																													
		Org	Transferred amount	Expenditures	Committed Funds	Balance available																									
		UNICEF	2,000,000	\$ 1,815,801.37	\$319.53	\$184,198.63																									
		PAHO	2,000,000	\$ 104,578.69	\$246,094.1	\$1,518,486.09																									
STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE TRACKS																															
X	TRACK 1a: Intensifying efforts to cut transmission of cholera and improve access to care and treatment																														
□	TRACK 1b: Addressing the medium/longer term issues of water, sanitation and health systems																														
□	TRACK 2: Assistance and Support																														
□	GLOBAL SUPPORT - strategic engagement in support of the new approach to cholera in Haiti and organizational learning																														
QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT RESULTS MATRIX																															
OUTPUT INDICATORS																															

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Indicator	Geographical 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>					
<b>PAHO Output 1:</b>	To strengthen the early warning and response system of the Ministry of Health (MSPP/DELR) at the central and departmental level to detect, test and respond to cholera-related events and other infectious diseases, including COVID-19				
Number of departments with an early warning and response system established, to investigate all alerts related to cholera and other infectious diseases, including COVID-19	Nationwide	10	10	10	100%
<b>PAHO Output 2:</b>	To expand the nation-wide enhanced surveillance system for cholera and other infectious diseases				
Number of acute watery diarrhea stool specimens collected and transported annually to be tested for cholera	Nationwide	>4,000	1,771	2,060	52%
Number of molecular tests performed among suspected COVID-19 cases	Nationwide	>2,000	10,753	41,007	>100%
<b>PAHO Output 3:</b>	To improve the technical capabilities of the national laboratory and the peripheral laboratories for the timely detection of <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> and other infectious diseases				
Number of functional laboratories with culture and antimicrobial resistance capacity implemented to test for cholera and other infectious diseases	Nationwide	>4	4	4	100%
<b>UNICEF Output 4:</b>	Carry out WASH emergency interventions at community level, to ensure minimal conditions for prevention of cholera and other infectious diseases (hand-washing stations, emergency repairing of water systems, chlorination, water treatment, trucking, etc.)				
Number of hand-washing stations installed and functional (with water and soap) during at least 3 months	Nationwide	1,000	79	2,489	245%
Number of people who wash their hands in the installed hand-washing stations	Nationwide	2,000,000	26098	628,598	31%
<b>UNICEF Output 5:</b>	Communication, community engagement and community-based interventions promoting hygiene practices, through the support of health community agents (ASCP) and emergency response teams				
Number of people receiving awareness raising messages	Nationwide	2,000,000	10 000	5 070 000	253.5 %



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for prevention of cholera and other infectious diseases, including of COVID-19					
Number of health community volunteers (ASCP) trained to support surveillance and awareness raising at community level	Nationwide	1,000	14	940	94%
PAHO Output 6:	Strengthen MSPP capacities for case management and infection prevention and control measures for patients related to cholera and other infectious diseases				
Number of health care workers (HCW) trained in the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for cholera and/or COVID-19	Nationwide	>500 HCW	15	298	60%
<b>BENEFICIARIES:</b> <i># of beneficiaries and disaggregated data, where applicable</i>			<b>OTHER:</b>		
<b>No. of Beneficiaries</b>		<b>No. of Beneficiaries</b>			
Female	<b>25,792</b>	Communities			
Youth Female	<b>5,066</b>	Total			
Male	<b>17,194</b>				
Youth Male	<b>4,144</b>				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>52,196</b>				

**PAHO:**

The activities conducted through this grant include the following:

- Ten epidemiologists integrated in the 10 departmental health directorates continue to support the coordination of alert and response activities, epidemiological investigations, and reporting of epidemic intelligence to health authorities at the central level.
- As part of the new acute watery diarrhea surveillance strategy, PAHO / WHO provided support to set-up the bacteriological laboratory at St. Boniface hospital in the Sud department. Additionally, laboratory equipment was provided to this health institution and health workers were trained on sample collection and biosecurity.
- A visit was carried out jointly by MSPP and PAHO / WHO to supervise the effective implementation of the MSPP cholera elimination strategy in Artibonite and Nord-Ouest departments. Furthermore, information and guidance sessions for health professionals have been organized in thirteen hospitals and two PRESEPI laboratories to improve the application of the strategy.
- To facilitate the collection and transport of specimens from acute watery diarrhea sites to laboratories, 300 Cary Blair transport mediums were distributed to Artibonite and Nord-Ouest departments.
- 88 health professionals from 15 health institutions in the Artibonite and Nord-Ouest departments were trained on the collection, management, and transport of specimens from acute watery diarrhea cases.
- 18 nurses from the Labo-moto project were trained on the use of COVID-19 rapid antigen tests.
- 18 nurses from the Labo-moto project ensured the timely collection and transport of 1,771 cholera and 7,253 COVID-19 samples from health institutions to laboratories. Furthermore, Labo-moto nurses ensured that health institutions had enough supplies to avoid disruptions in the sampling of suspected cases.



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**UNICEF:**

During this period, funding for this Grant contributed to the following outcomes:

- 9,210 students in 40 schools attended hygiene courses to raise awareness against cholera and Covid-19, in the northern and western departments.
- 16,888 people receive awareness-raising messages directly in 60 street markets in the Northern and Western departments.
- 79 handwashing points are installed and functional at schools' level.
- 236,850 Co of aquatab for home water treatment, 3,884 oral rehydration salts and 3176 soaps were distributed to schools and households.
- 14 ASCP trained to support surveillance and awareness raising at community level
- 82 focus groups carried out in the communities for hygiene awareness.

Delays or Deviations (if any, briefly describe the delays or changes in focus, approach, or targets, and provide a short justification for the change in 1-2 narrative paragraphs).

**PAHO:**

The following factors have caused the delay in the implementation of the strategy at the national level: (i) the lack of electricity and/or cooling systems in some institutions; (ii) the lack of collaboration from health personnel who request incentives before taking the specimens from acute watery diarrhea cases; (iii) some laboratories that are part of the strategy receive far fewer samples than the expected quotas; (iv) the difficulty to access some institutions due to the socio-political situation, protests, roadblocks; (v) the increase in the number of COVID-19 cases in May 2021, has affected the work of Labo-moto nurses, who also work to support certain departments for the collection of COVID-19 samples.

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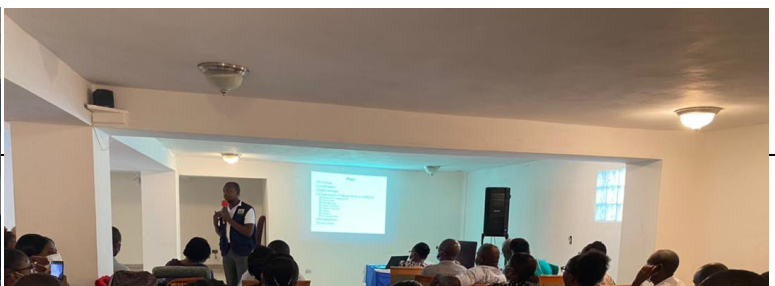
Some few factors had a major impact on the overall implementation of the project:

- The socio-political context delayed two scientific studies to show or not the persistent presence of the vibrio cholerae in the Haitian environment. Results of these studies conducted both by Quisqueya University and the ANSES laboratory are still expected before February 2022.
- The reduction in the number of response teams combined with the increase in covid-19 cases has affected monitoring work in the field, especially in targeted schools where hygiene promotion activities were put in place.
- The lack of interest of the population in the implementation of barrier gestures strongly linked to the low incidence rates of cholera and covid-19 in communities.

Additional Information (Optional – including stories from the communities, photos, links relevant to the project)

**PAHO :**

**Photos from the field:** Information and guidance sessions for Labo-moto nurses.





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