



GLOBAL TASK FORCE ON CHOLERA CONTROL

Global Task Force on Cholera Control (GTFCC)
DECLARATION OF INTENT TO USE ORAL CHOLERA VACCINE FOR CHOLERA CONTROL IN ENDEMIC SETTINGS
Email the completed form to GTFCCsecretariat@who.int

The Global Task Force on Cholera Control (GTFCC) supports increased implementation of evidence-based strategies to control cholera. In this scheme, oral cholera vaccines (OCV) may be used in cholera highly endemic settings (hotspots) with the goal of providing equitable access for the populations most exposed to the risk of cholera. This is done with the understanding that the vaccines provided through this request will be used in campaigns that are part of a broader cholera control program and that such an undertaking has been endorsed by the Ministry of Health of the requesting country. By requesting OCV, the Ministry declares its intent to use the vaccine for non-emergency settings. This form is considered to be an initial step in the process. More detailed information on cholera control activities and the planned vaccination will be requested at a later date.

1. General information

Date of the request: ____ / ____ / ____ Requesting Country: ____
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Contact name at the Ministry of Health	
Address	
Email	
Phone	
Fax	

2. Cholera situation

- a. Anticipated location(s) selected for vaccination: ____
- b. Total population of the location(s): ____
- c. Total number of doses required to vaccinate the target location(s): ____
- d. Average number of suspected cholera cases per year in the location(s), over the last 5 years: ____
- e. Average number of suspected cholera deaths per year in the location(s), over the last 5 years: ____
- f. Annual average case fatality ratio (CFR): a) at the health facility level: ____% b) at the community level: ____%
- g. Indicate whether laboratory capacity to confirm cases by culture or PCR is available at the location targeted for vaccination
 Yes; **Check all that apply:** Provincial level District level Health facility level Other: ____
 No, available at national level only
 No, not available in the country
- h. Please describe local history of cholera, including recent outbreaks and transmission patterns, and how the burden of cholera compares with those of other regions/districts/sub-districts in the country to justify the need for OCV in the location specified:

3. Local context

Please describe contextual factors (e.g., unusual weather pattern, environmental factors, location that is distinct from other parts of the country, population density, mobility, and other special considerations) that increase the risk and/or severity of cholera and justify vaccination in the location and population specified:

4. Plans for complementary WaSH interventions

- a. Current proportion of the population of the location with access to improved drinking water sources: _____%
- b. Current proportion of the population of the location with access to improved sanitation facilities: _____%
- c. Please include a description of any medium and long-term plans to implement sustainable WaSH interventions in the location:

5. Capacity to implement the campaign(s)

a. Please indicate which of the following is/are in place to enable the campaign(s):

(Refer to the WHO guidance for planning OCV campaigns – Annex 1, for further details)

- Oral Cholera Vaccine registration in the country
- Logistics (cold chain, transport, waste management, etc.)
- Social Mobilization (community network, capacity to mobilize, etc.)
- Human resources
- Financial resources
- Implementation plan
- Capacity to perform monitoring and evaluation (epidemiological surveillance, laboratory diagnostic capacity, coverage survey, impact evaluation, economic assessment, etc.)
- EPI involvement
- Official approval from relevant Ministries
- Other:
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b. Please summarize the expected impact of the OCV campaign(s) resulting from this request, as well as its overall significance to the country's long-term cholera prevention and control strategies:

6. Plans for Monitoring and Evaluation of the campaign(s)

a. Please include a description of any plans to conduct monitoring and evaluation of the campaign(s) and of integrated cholera control interventions:

7. Partners and Donors

Please list the organization(s) that have been supporting and/or will support the cholera control activities including the proposed OCV campaign(s).

Organizations	Activities Supported	Amount of Funding Received / Expected (if info available)

8. Annexes to be attached

1) Expert Review

Every request is subject to an expert review that is to be planned with the GTFCC Secretariat, to ensure that key factors such as the risk of cholera, severity of the disease, WaSH and healthcare conditions, capacity to improve these conditions, and commitment to implement the campaign(s), are considered.

Was such a review conducted prior to this expression of intent? Yes No

If yes, please attach the report. Any other documents including any epidemiological or contextual analysis, relevant project plans and other support documents should also be attached. If no previous review has been done, the GTFCC Secretariat will be in touch to provide support for this review.

2) Cholera control plans

With this "Expression of Interest" the country engages in using OCV as an additional tool within their cholera control strategy. This use should be described in the Cholera Control Plan, which should be attached to this request

3) Official cover letter from the government

Please attach a cover letter from government authorities endorsing the request.