



SOUTH SUDAN EVD TASKFORCE MEETING

24TH Jan 2019

**Update on South Sudan's preparedness and response
readiness capacities**

NTF Meeting Agenda; 24/01/2019

Item	Description	Time	Responsible person
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Introduction Communication from the Hon. Minister 	2:00-2:05 pm	Dr Riek Gai Kok/Dr Ayana
2	Review of action points from previous meeting	2:05-2:20 pm	Dr Lul Lojok – Ag IM
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Latest Update on EVD outbreak situation in DRC Epidemiology, Surveillance and Laboratory status in South Sudan <p style="text-align: center;">Discussion</p>	2:20-2:40 pm	Dr Ifeanyi
4	<p>Updates on EVD TWGs per thematic areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current Status/progress made Update from STFs Update from Health Cluster <p style="text-align: center;">Discussion</p>	2:40-3:20 pm	TWGs leads & Co. leads
5	A.O.B	3:20-3:30 pm	All



Review of action points from previous; 17.01.2019

South Sudan crisis response - Public Health Information Services - Action tracker (2018-2019)

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5/17/2018

s/n	Meeting Date	Recommendation / Action	Deadline	Days left	Lead role	Progress
1	1/17/2019	<i>Forward completed training matrix to Coordination</i>	1/24/2019	0	All TWGs	Ongoing
2	1/17/2019	Enrich DRC EVD updates with contact tracing information and risk to South Sudan	1/24/2019		Epi/Surveillance TWG	Complete
3	1/17/2019	<i>Distribute the case definition handbills to the states</i>	1/24/2019	0	Epi/Surveillance TWG	Ongoing
4	1/17/2019	Separate IPC/WaSH presentations from Case Mgt during NTF meetings	1/24/2019		IPC & WASH TWG	Complete
5	1/17/2019	<i>Support alert desk (6666) with airtime to return missed calls</i>	1/24/2019	0	UNICEF/MOH	Ongoing
6	1/17/2019	<i>Facilitate tax exemptions for WFP procured EVD ambulances</i>	1/24/2019	0	MOH	Ongoing



Epi & Surveillance TWG

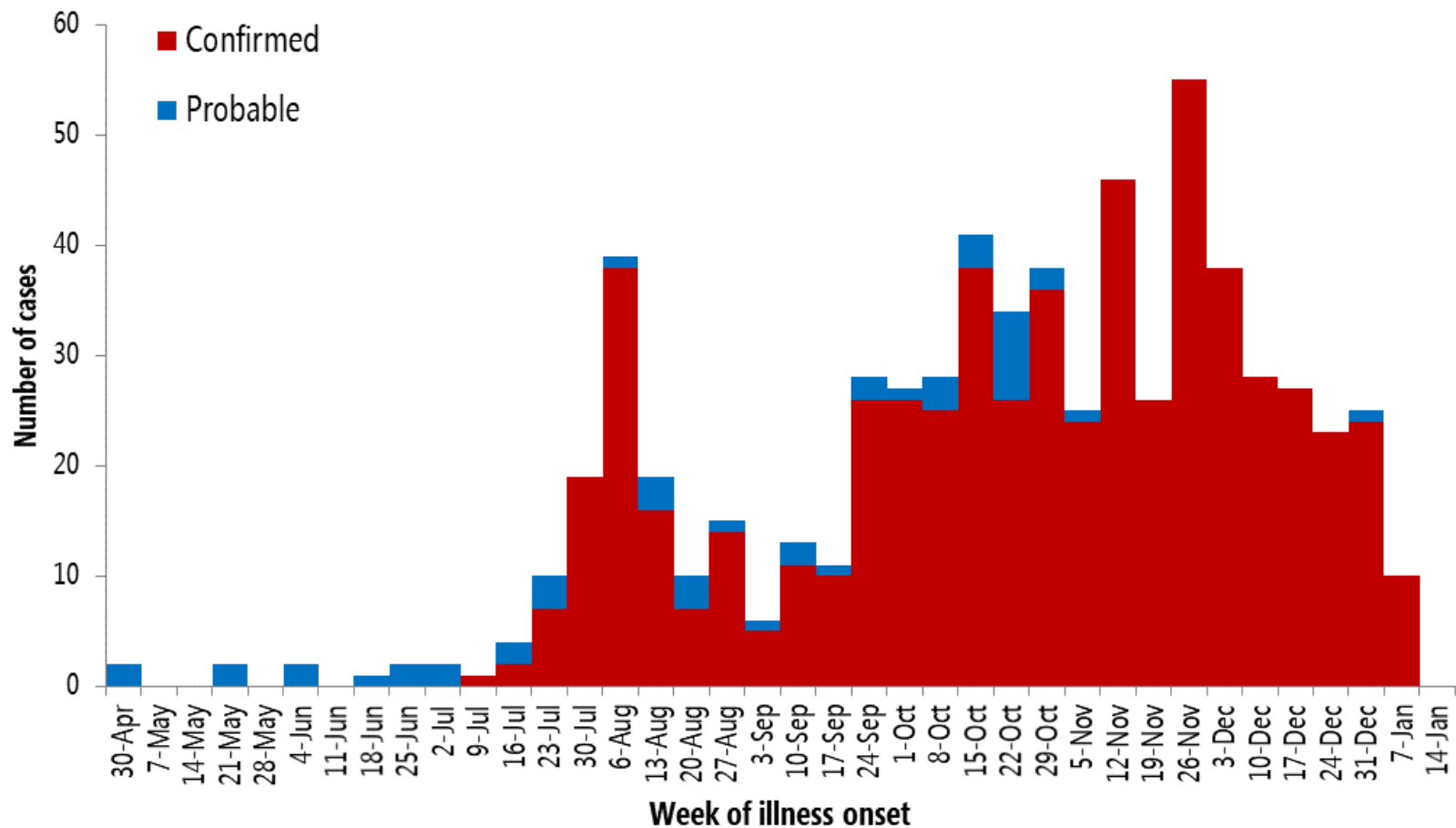


DRC EBOLA UPDATE (Jan 23)

- Total cases 713
 - 62% Women
 - 15% under the age of 5
- Deaths 439
- 59% Case-fatality rate among confirmed cases
- 42,500 contacts registered (but only 13% under surveillance)



Confirmed and probable Ebola virus disease cases by week of illness onset, as of 14 January 2019 (n=657)

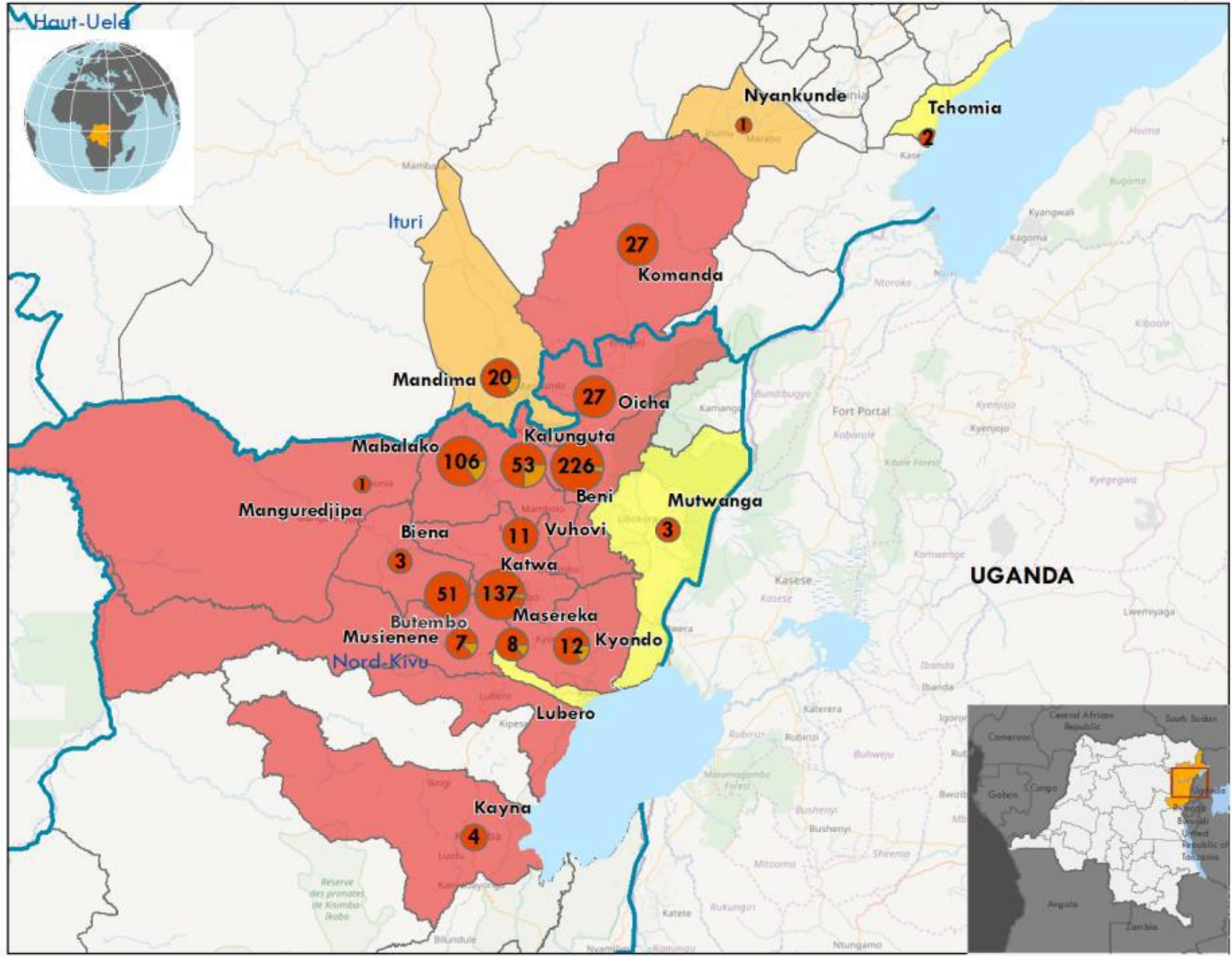


DRC Hot Spots

- Katwa and Butembo current hot spots
 - Represent 65% of new cases confirmed in past 21 days
 - In Katwa, high resistance from relatives of patients with confirmed infections.
 - Contacts refusing vaccination and follow-up



Map date: 22 January 2019



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The boundaries and names shown and the designation used on this map do not imply the expression of any

Activities/Accomplishments

- Distribution of case definition started 22/1/2019 –Nimule
 - Jubek state to collect case definition today
 - Distribution under way for other states



Challenges that need assistance from NTF

- Need consolidated list of functional health facilities from MOH.



Priorities for the upcoming week

- Epi-surveillance TWG training plan to be finalized
- Identify CHWs in high-risk states for Community based surveillance trainings
- Follow up with facilitators of the SIMEX to set the date.



Laboratory TWG Updates

- Rolling out of Safe Sample Collection and Transport Training to the Priority states will start next week. It will start with Yambio on 29th Jan 2019. Other states will follow.
- LTWG will meet on Friday 25th to finalize the preparations of training
- Preparations to install PCR machine are underway



Lap Epi Week

EVD LAB EPI WEEK UPDATES

Epi Week	Dates	Number of Samples			Results						Location	Comment
		Total	Blood	Swab	GeneXpert			UVRI Results				
					Negative	Positive	Pending	Negative	Positive	Pending		
36	7.9.18	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Yambio	
37												
38												
39	26.9.18	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Juba	
40	3.1.18	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Yei	
41	13.10.18	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Rumbek	
42	15 & 18 .18	2	2	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	Juba, Mundri	
43												
44												
45												
46												
47	23.11.18	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Yambio	postive for for Yellow Fever
48	29.11.18	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Yambio	
49	3 & 4.12.18	2	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Renk & Yambio	
50	15.12.18	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Juba	
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51		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Yambio	
52	25.12.18	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	Yambio	
	total	12	12	0	0	0	0	12	0	0		
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Border health and POE TWG

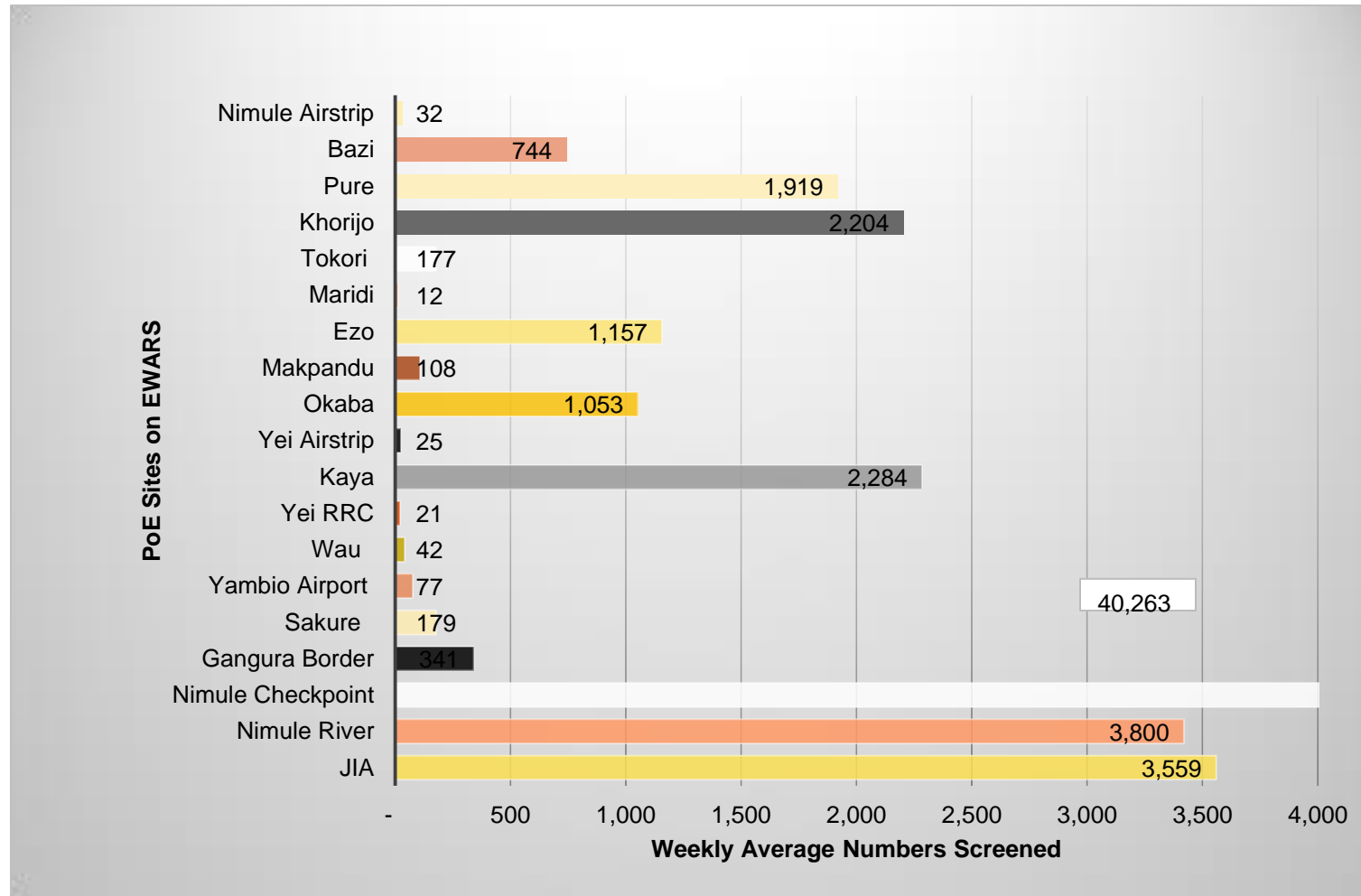


PoE SCREENING DATA

S/N	Point of Entry Site	State	Cumulative Total Screened	Average screening per week*	Secondary Screened (Week 3)	Alert (Week 3)
1	JIA	Jubek	85,415	3,559	-	-
2	Nimule River	Torit	54,708	3,419	-	-
3	Nimule Checkpoint	Torit	845,529	40,263	-	-
4	Gangura Border	Gbudwe	6,812	341	-	-
5	Sakure	Gbudwe	3,392	179	-	-
6	Yambio Airport	Gbudwe	1,543	77	-	-
7	Wau	Wau	885	42	-	-
8	Yei RRC	Yei River	359	21	4	-
9	Kaya	Yei River	38,828	2,284	6	-
10	Yei Airstrip	Yei River	454	25	-	-
11	Okaba	Yei River	16,841	1,053	-	-
12	Makpandu	Gbudwe	1,618	108	-	-
13	Ezo	Gbudwe	16,200	1,157	-	-
14	Maridi	Maridi	186	12	-	-
15	Tokori	Yei River	1,948	177	24	-
16	Khorijo	Yei River	15,428	2,204	-	-
17	Pure	Yei River	13,436	1,919	1	-
18	Bazi	Yei River	1,488	744	-	-
19	Nimule Airstrip	Torit	63	32	-	-
	Total		1,105,133		35	



Average Weekly Screened per POE



Map showing operational and upcoming potential POEs



POINTS OF ENTRY: OPERATIONAL & UPCOMING

- IOM
- WHO
- CUAMM
- WORLD VISION
- CORDAID
- POTENTIAL/ UPCOMING POE SITE



Activities/accomplishments

- Weekly BHPOE TWG meeting on-going, action points shared among TWG partners
- TWG enforcing usage of the IHAF forms to all 8 airline in Juba with continuous follow up to ensure compliance- might need printing done
- Criteria for establishment of a POE- currently TWG members are using a general criteria that considers population flow movement, proximity to the border, risk identification e.g frequent cross border travelers/traders etc. TWG members will develop a document/guideline for criteria
- Upcoming sites: (**Timeline:** February)
 - **WVSS 4 sites:**
 - Nzara; Sangura I and Basu Kangi
 - Yambio; James Diko
 - Potential; Andari; Ezo
 - **CUAMM:** 1 site in Maridi (Dukudu Olo)
 - **IOM:** 10 potential sites: Salla Musala, Busia, Isebi, Morebongo, Laiza, Paika, Iwambygambga, Kerwa, Bori, Berigo (all in Yei River State)



Challenges that need assistance from NTF

- Screening area for VIPs at JIA still pending **MOH following up**
- Not all front line health facilities (PHCCs and PHCUs) close to the POE screening points are functional. BH&POE TWG to follow up with Case Management TWG



Priorities for the upcoming week

- Develop criteria/guideline for establishing new POEs
- Develop joint EVD map in collaboration with UNOCHA, WFP, IOM,WHO
- Operationalize new POE screening sites – CUAMM, IOM, WVSS



IPC/WASH TWG



INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL/WASH TWG



Activities/Accomplishments

- WASH IPC TWG held first meeting on Tuesday; followed by Case Mgt. UNICEF Co Lead for WASH IPC, and WHO will co lead Case Mgt
- 3 days training conducted by MOH supported by WHO to 20 Private Health care facilities. 40 HCW trained on Case detection, isolation, referral, reporting and basic IPC skills. (11 doctors, 8 clinical officers, 5 nurses, 1 pharmacist and 15 lab technicians)
- IPC WASH training materials . Harmonization of competencies, objectives completed and to be reviewed by TWG To be used by all IPC partners when conducting training at isolation Units.
- IPC rapid assessment/Monitoring tool for frontline health facilities finalized based on comments from TWG members.
- Revised the WASH IPC checklist of EVD preparedness.



Slide 3- challenges that need assistance from NTF

- Communication and information sharing at national and state level. This will be priority for IPC TWG in the coming weeks; WASH IPC focal points will bridge the gaps.
- TWG members noted inconsistent participation from WASH IPC and case mgt implementing Partners in TWG.



Slide 4: priorities for the upcoming week

- Mapping of WASH IPC/ Case Mgt partners at state level, national level (Isolation Units, health facilities and other public places)
- Finalize harmonization of WASH IPC training materials/Competencies to be used by all partners involved in trainings
- WASH IPC Partners (SP, UNICEF, WHO, IMC) to present training plans in the next TWG meeting.
- Strengthening linkages/Integration with SDB, Surveillance, Case Mgt and Risk Comms TWGs (Meetings, Joint trainings)
- Strengthening national and state level IPC/WASH TWG. UNICEF WASH IPC partners will be the state level TWG focal points. Solidarities International (Jubek, Nimule), Oxfam (Wau), Yei River State (SSDO) and WVSS (Yambio).



Case Management TWG



Case Management TWG

- TWG meeting took place on the 22nd of Jan.
- **Training Guide for case management.** The purpose of this guide is to ensure all IPs conducting training on Case management deliver adequate and sufficient EVD case management training .



Challenges

- IMC communicated concerns raised by POCs during their field activities regarding procedures and protocols of quarantine in case of EVD is reported within the POCs.



Priorities for the upcoming week

- Finalizing monitoring tool which will be used by all IFs and once completed will be used as a checklist to evaluate Isolation facilities every two weeks.
- Strengthening national and state level case management TWG.
- IMC to start training for health facilities in Jubek; 80 HCW's to be trained to work at Juba isolation unit, IMC run facilities and other frontline health facilities. CM TWG will provide support in terms of facilitating , sharing of training materials and ensuring training is conducted according to the Case management training guide.



SDBTWG



SDB: Progress Update

- One fully operational SDB team ready for action in: Juba, Yambio, Yei and Nimule.
- 3 vehicles ready for immediate deployment in Juba:
- More vehicles available at SSRC Juba to be transported to the location where needed assisted by WFP
- For Nimule SDB vehicles to be sent by road.
- Emergency SDB material for 20 burials prepositioned in Yambio, Yei and Nimule. (main stock in Juba)



2: Activities/accomplishments

- Training + refresher of the Juba SDB SSRC team of 15 volunteers accomplished.
- The team can be utilized as surge capacity where eventually needed.
- 40 SSRC volunteers trained in Soc. Mob. in Yambio and Nimule. 40 in Yei next week + follow up on SDB team.
- 15 of the 40 Nimule Volunteers trained for SDB.
- All will do Soc. Mob. until eventual need for SDB.



3- Challenges that need assistance from NTF

- Mapping of legal burial sites or cemeteries acknowledged by the relevant authority for the use of burials of EVD confirmed, probable or suspected cases.
- **Work in progress**



Slide 4: priorities for the upcoming week

- **Next week:**

Maridi. The full exercise to be repeated 29.01 – 05.02. Whereby all 4 locations will be ready for immediate deployment.

- **Next week:**

YEI: Training of 40 volunteers in Soc. Mob/Risk Com. Follow up, supervision of 12 SDB volunteers trained in Juba in Dec. Will make a part of the 40 volunteers for Soc. Mob. In Yei.

Follow up on the SDB logistics; Dispatch base and car-rental options.



RCSMCE TWG



RCSMCE Activities and Accomplishments... 1

- New/Revised Partner-mapping template shared with all RCSMCE Partners for completion
- SoPs completed and approved, e-copies shared with all partners for internalization while printed version is in progress to be ready in 11 weeks time
- Recommended training plans template shared to synchronize the inductions and Partners are being advised to share their current training Material
- Common rumor-tracking and reporting tool shared with RCSMCE Partners for adoption and finalization



RCSMCE Activities and Accomplishments...2

- Presentations from the special full-day consultation meeting conducted on the 15th Jan 2019 shared with RCSMCE Partners for their reference
- Efforts on strengthening coordination and technical/operational capacities through closer collaboration and a shared understanding among all partners is underway
- Ongoing Community Based Surveillance through Integrated Community Mobilization network-ICMN for early detection and reporting



Priorities for the Upcoming Week (and up to 31st Jan 2019)

Finalize/Share and get inputs and agreement from all Partners on:

1. Shared compendium/repository of approved key messages and IEC materials
2. Initiate KAP/Formative Research study.
3. Continue to find ways for improving coordination between National and State Task Force on RCCCE
4. Ensure comprehensive and systematic partner-mapping by geography, activity, capacities, and expertise.
5. Deploy 3 C4D international Consultants in **Torit-Yambio and Yei** to improve the Linkages between national RCSMCE TWG and the State RCSMCE TWG
6. Support Ebola vaccination as needed



Logistics TWG





Logistics Working Group

- PO issued for Ambulances to be sourced from DXB
- Tax exemptions an issue, WFP consumables for prep still not cleared after 1 month and may affect Ambulance delivery
- WFP has provided staff to support WHO Vac kitting as a priority, once completed will move into stock-take of PPE. Also included is RRT kit location/focal points etc.
- IUs, Yambio complete, Yei traps being added to (poor quality in market). Nimule complete by end of this week.
- Training-LC has a solid training programme since 2018, courses available on request and dedicated Training coordinator in country in March- will support ongoing emergency programme and EVD training in logistics activities.
- Mapping of available warehouses in juba ongoing.



STF-Update



Slide 1: Recent activities



Activities

- Training of private healthcare workers on case detection and reporting completed
- SSRC has conducted refresher training for 15 volunteers for the SDB team from Jubek State from 10th to 11th January, 2019
- EVD screening on going at Juba International Airport



Challenges that need assistance from NTF

- Jubek State RRT need to be re-trained on IPC skills (Donning and Doffing)
- Members from other pillars need to be present at all STF meetings or personnel from the STF to attend meetings of other TWGs at the national level
- The community and risk communication awareness ICE materials to be translated into local languages as follows; 60% Bari, 30% Juba Arabic and 10% English



Priorities for the upcoming week

- Do supportive supervision to Terekeka, Yei, Morobo, Lainya, Juba and Kajokeji on Coordination and reporting
- Vaccination of Health Care and Frontline Health Care workers
- Advocacy meeting with the office of the governor, parliamentarians, commissioners and other government officials



Update STF coordination structure

- Juba, Yei, Yambio and Nimule have sent in STF coordination structure with their contact details.
- Pending: Maridi

