



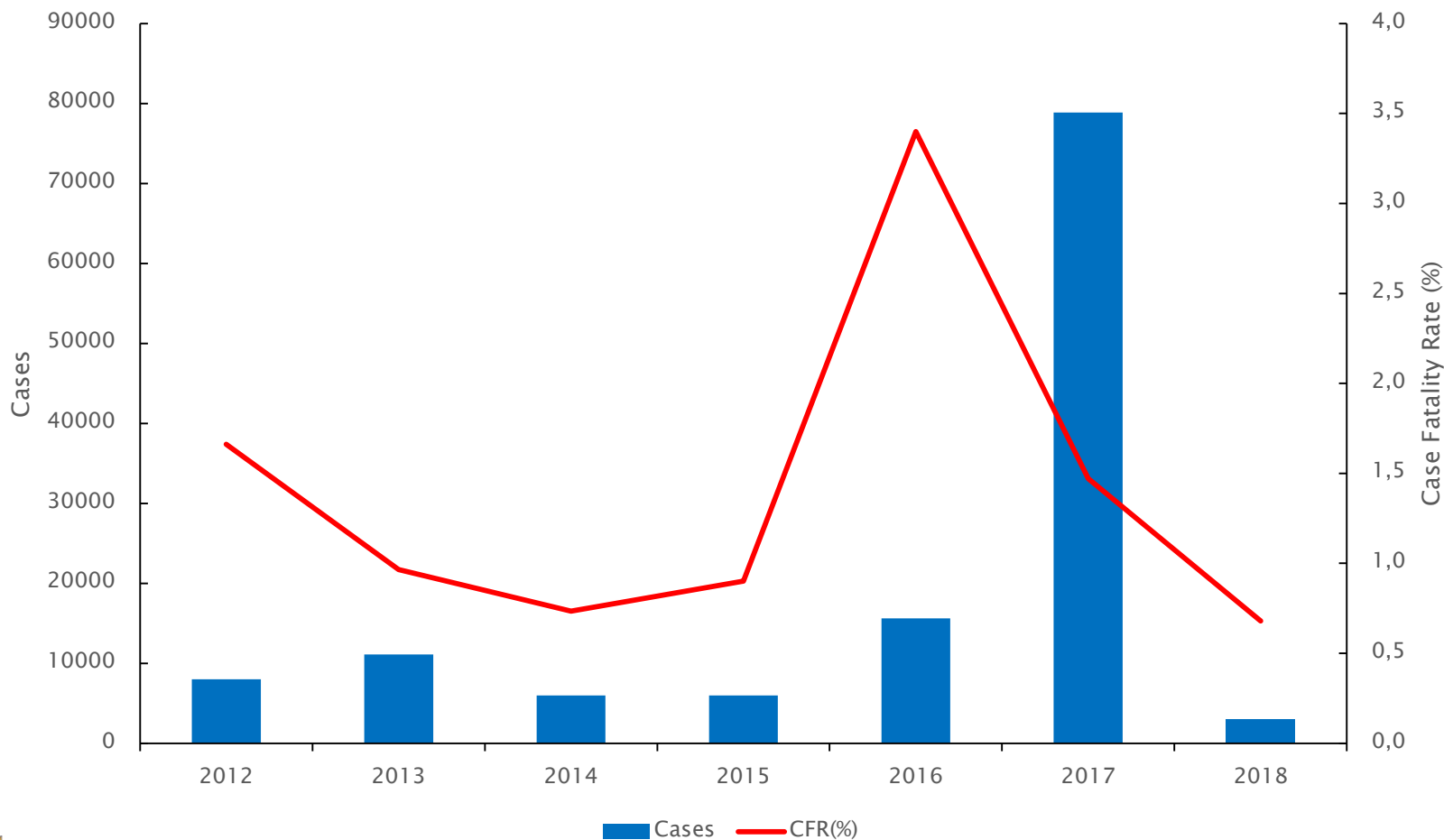
GLOBAL TASK FORCE ON
CHOLERA CONTROL



SOMALIA

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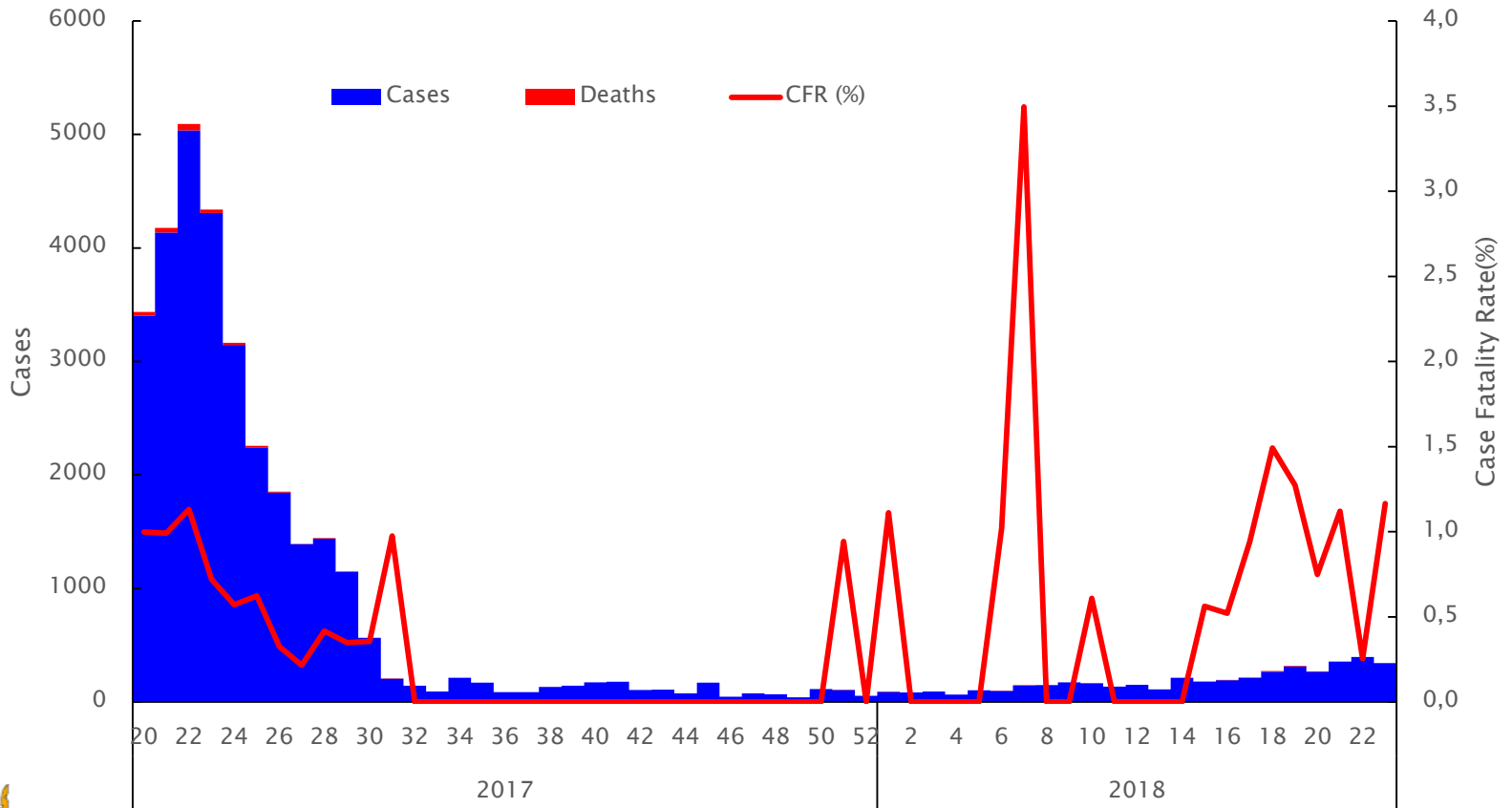
CHOLERA TRENDS IN SOMALIA 2012-18



Standard line lists for all cases in all hot spots compiled and available for the past 2 years



CHOLERA TRENDS 2017/18



THE OBJECTIVES OF THE PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE PLAN

- To strengthen the coordination of epidemic preparedness and response for AWD/Cholera at all levels
- To enhance surveillance and laboratory capacities at all levels in order to reduce the spread of outbreak.
- To improve case management and infection control protocols at health facility level and AWD/Cholera treatment centers
- To ensure adequate prepositioning of AWD/Cholera buffer stock, other medical supplies and equipment in all regions
- To Implement Oral Cholera Vaccine campaigns in high risk and vulnerable populations
- To strengthen WASH preparedness for rapid response during an outbreak
- To contribute to reducing the risk of AWD/Cholera through appropriate HP activities & acceleration of the widespread adoption of safe hygiene practices



To mobilize and empower communities, policy makers, opinion leaders for AWD/Cholera prevention and control

SUMMARY OF CHOLERA OUTPUTS 2017

- National cholera preparedness and response plan developed in 2016 by FMoH supported by WASH and Health Cluster
- 1.2M people aged 1 year and above received 2 doses of OCV in 13 hot spots in 2017/18
- 857 health workers trained in cholera case management, enhanced surveillance and community sensitization
- 150 community health workers trained in home based management of AWD using ORS trained in Mogadishu
- Early Warning Alert and Response Network (EWARN) activated, and 578 sentinel sites are regularly reporting

➤ 157 Integrated Emergency Response Teams and 25



➤ Standard tools and guidelines developed and

IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

- Activation of the Early Warning Alert and Response system in all health facilities to support detection, notification and response to AWD/Cholera Alerts
- Coordination of implementation of response activities between the WASH And Health Cluster partners
- Use of Polio/EPI structures in the country to implement OCV campaigns in identified hot spots
- Joint meetings between WASH department in MoH, state level MoH and Emergency department for joint planning and implementation



PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Activity	Time line
Scale up EWARN sites from the current 578 to 1200 facilities as well as inclusion of hard to reach communities to support real time response activities	July–Dec 18
Strengthening Risk communication activities using C4D structures and local media targeting particular risks	July–Dec 18
Training health workers & CHWs in cholera case management, surveillance, infection Prevention and control (IPC)	June –Oct18
OCV implementation in 5 cholera hot spots (IDPs)	Oct 18
Periodic water quality surveillance and routine water treatment (Water source and domestic)	July–Dec 18
Continuous cholera risk assessment to identify drivers of the epidemic and vulnerable populations	On going
Strengthen diagnostic capacity using RDTs and bacteriology in NPHL	On going
Develop national integrated cholera strategy for Somalia	July–Oct 2018



CHALLENGES

- Limited access to some of cholera affected districts due to insecurity
- Limited access to basic health services in most of the peripheral areas
- Human resources
 - Understaffing
 - High staff turn over
 - Limited skills of existing health workers
- Low investment in sustainable and long term Water and sanitation infrastructures
- Weak surveillance systems in conflict affected districts



Cholera control - Capacities and gaps

Axis 1: Early detection and quick response to contain outbreaks at an early stage

Decentralized culture capacity for early detection in all hotspots	Culture capacity is at National Level		There is need to support the national Public Health Lab to conduct PCR in Mogadishu as well as state level laboratories to conduct culture and sensitivity studies for cholera
Prepositioning of RDT and appropriate transport media (Cary Blair) in all hotspots	Prepositioning of RDTs and transport media done to all regions		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthen the use of RDTs in all hotspots. Prepositioning of RDTs to all regions
PCR characterization of isolated VC	Not available (Collaboration with Loui Pasteur Institute)		PCR capacity to be developed at national level- PCR machine is available in Mogadishu
Early warning / Surveillance system	Activated with 578 health facilities currently in the system		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is need to expand the existing EWARN system to include hard to reach communities as well as new health facilities There is need to train Rapid Response Teams for verification of alerts notified in EWARN system

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Axis 2: A multisectoral approach to prevent cholera in hotspots			
Identification of cholera hotspots	Identification done		There is need for continuous risk assessment to identify new hot spots
National Cholera Control Plan aligned with the GTFCC roadmap	The National cholera preparedness response plan in aligned to GTFC road map		There is need to review and update the cholera preparedness plan as well as develop the cholera response strategy for Somalia
Financing mechanism and availability of funds	Limited funds, donor dependent		There need to establish a funding mechanism for Somalia and all cholera endemic countries for cholera response and control activities



AXIS 3

Axis 3: An effective mechanism of coordination for technical support, resource mobilisation and partnership at national level

Existence of a cholera focal point, in charge of implementing the NCCP and appointed by a high authority

Emergency FP at national and state Levels

The National emergency focal person is supported by state level emergency FP as well as health cluster and WASH cluster partners

National connection: NCCP integrated into regular programming and cross-sectoral collaboration

Réponse plan integrated in Health sector strategic plan and HRP plan for UN

There is need to update the NCCP for Somalia to align with new national strategies, priorities and response plans





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