

Cholera surveillance and laboratory capacity assessment

Laboratory WG separate session : objectives

- To define the different steps to be included in a surveillance plan at the laboratory level
 - In term of environmental surveillance
 - In term of strain identification and characterization in the lab, genomic data
 - In term of serosurveillance
- To discuss how to support the countries and make a concrete proposal
 - To identify countries engaged on control plans, Uganda, Zambia, Zanzibar, Malawi, India, Nigeria, South Sudan, Haiti, others?
 - To identify international labs that could be involved in this support if needed: SANGER, IP, CDC, JHU, Massachusetts General Hospital, others?
 - To make concrete proposals
 - Sending the strains internationally if needed as a first step
 - Quality assurance, how to proceed
 - Need for guidance notes,
 - Protocols to share
 - Training

👉 develop guidance document for vibrio strains and deliver a lab package