

GLOBAL COMMUNITIES ALERT BI-WEEKLY REPORT

July 12 – July 25, 2015

1. COUNTY-SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES

1.1 Bong County

Due to the heightened alertness raised due to recent EVD cases during the reporting period, the Bong County Team focused on increased surveillance extension to internal check/crossing points. GC, along with major health partners involved in CEBS in the three border districts (Salala, Kokoya and Panta) conducted monitoring and supervising visits of border check points. In addition, GC fully sponsored Community Cluster Meetings in Panta and Zota with 472 participants attending during the reporting period.

The County Steering Committee (CSC) visited 79 of GC CLTC-triggered communities and verified 76 to have reached ODF status. The CSC will visit additional communities as the rainy season allows. The GC team conducted routine monitoring visits to all triggered communities in Zota, Panta-Kpaai, Jorquelleh, Suakoko and Salala Districts to monitor progress and lessons learned. On July 16th the regular Natural Leader cluster meetings were held Garmu and Jorwah to establish a Natural Leader Cluster Network. Community Leaders (town chiefs, elders, women leaders, youth leaders, and natural leaders) from each of the sixteen (16) bordering communities attended with 92 total participants in attendance.

Cross Border Surveillance activities under the ALERT project continue in full swing with the supply of materials to team leaders in thirty six (36) bordering communities and three (3) major Border Crossing Points (BCPs) along the Bong-Guinea border in (Panta and Zota District). On July 16th, the GC team, in partnership with the CHT, UNICEF, WHO trained 13 Commissioners to enhance and revamp vigilance in surveillance.

1.2 Gbarpolu

During the reporting period, 7 out of the 8 border checkpoints received onsite supervisory support and monitoring. Weekly monitoring visits to border communities are ongoing using the community monitoring tool. Log books and screening equipment was reviewed in 13 out of 39 communities and each community focal person received hands-on support. After receiving feedback from community members and screening personnel, GC will conduct refresher trainings for PIC and PPE for screeners at Bombahun triage and will support Timba Town triage to increase staff by five to carry out night services.

To improve surveillance activities at the community level, Global Communities will better integrate border and CLTS activities in the coming reporting period. Of the 10 communities triggered, seven are making steady progress while the remaining three have been slower to respond. Implementing CLTS in hard to reach areas like Kungba district where there has generally been less hygiene promotion and health education continues to be a challenge, highlighting the need for continued long-term engagement with communities. Field staff recommend there should be speedy recruitment process for CLTS promoters as community-based personnel are crucial to the process and meeting our targets. Staff also noted that CLTS

and border surveillance activities should be organized into a single monthly activities plan, especially for meetings and training as both are working with the same communities and people.

1.3 Grand Cape Mount

During this reporting period, community surveillance focal persons in Grand Cape Mount collected statistics of 902 people entering into Communities in Tewor and Porkpa from both Sierra Leone and other parts of Liberia. These people went through all necessary screening procedures according to the records in the community ledgers, which were inspected during monitoring visits. 25,328 travelers that were screened at the formal crossing points during the past seven days, with the majority crossing through Bo-Waterside.

1.4 Lofa

No information has been provided by the Lofa team for the reporting period at this time.

1.5 Nimba

During the reporting period, the Nimba team conducted four CEBS community level meetings that brought together 28 communities along the border in four locations. In one of the meeting sessions, local authorities invited Guinean local leaders from the town of Nimpa. Monitoring of the triage and border communities is ongoing as gCHVs were supervised at three major checkpoint triage centers and all 28 border communities. Four CEBS community meeting sessions were held on July 16th in which 132 participants discussed the importance of traveler registration, collection of oral swap and reporting of suspected EVD to health/local authorities.

Five additional border communities were triggered for CLTS during the reporting period, bringing the total to 15. On July 20th – 22nd, the Nimba team monitored nine CLTS communities within the Sanniquellie-mah and Bain-Garr Districts. The Team observed progress in the following Communities: Vahnyanpa with 2 new super structures, Gboa-Yeela with 5 new super structures, and 3 additional latrines completed. In Bain-Garr five communities installed a total of 33 hand washing stations as follows: Gbuyee 9, Gowee 5, Gampa 5, Whipa 9, Busie 5.

Additionally, GC staff and the CHT held a two-day GPS training was conducted which included a presentation, demonstration and ended with a practical session in the field. During the field session, twelve (12) communities GPS coordinate were taken within Yarpea-mah Administrative District, Sanniquellie-Mah Health District. At the end of the training all participants were able to identify the X & Y coordinates, how to collect accurate data for specific locations and the importance and usage of GPS in program implementation. This is especially important as Global Communities will use this data to build maps of CLTS and border surveillance communities to visually monitor progress.

2. CASE MANAGEMENT DATA

2.1 Ambulance Support

| Current Ambulance Presence | | | |
|----------------------------|---|-------------|---|
| County | # | County | # |
| Bomi | 2 | Margibi | 2 |
| Bong | 1 | Maryland | 1 |
| Gbarpolu | 2 | Montserrado | 0 |

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|------------------|---|--------------|-----------|
| Grand Bassa | 2 | Nimba | 2 |
| Grand Cape Mount | 2 | Rivercess | 1 |
| Grand Gedeh | 0 | River Gee | 0 |
| Grand Kru | 1 | Sinoe | 1 |
| Lofa | 1 | Total | 18 |

2.2 Burial/Disinfection Team Support

| Current Burial/Disinfection Team Support | | | | | |
|--|--------|--------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| County | Burial | Disinfection | County | Burial | Disinfection |
| Bomi | 2 | 2 | Lofa | 4 | 0 |
| Bong | 2 | 0 | Margibi | 3 | 1 |
| Disco Hill | 6 | 2 | Maryland | 2 | 0 |
| Gbarpolu | 2 | 2 | Montserrado | 17 | 8 |
| Grand Bassa | 4 | 0 | Nimba | 2 | 0 |
| Grand Cape Mount | 3 | 3 | Rivercess | 2 | 0 |
| Grand Gedeh | 1 | 1 | River Gee | 1 | 1 |
| Grand Kru | 1 | 1 | Sinoe | 1 | 1 |
| | | | Total | 53 | 22 |

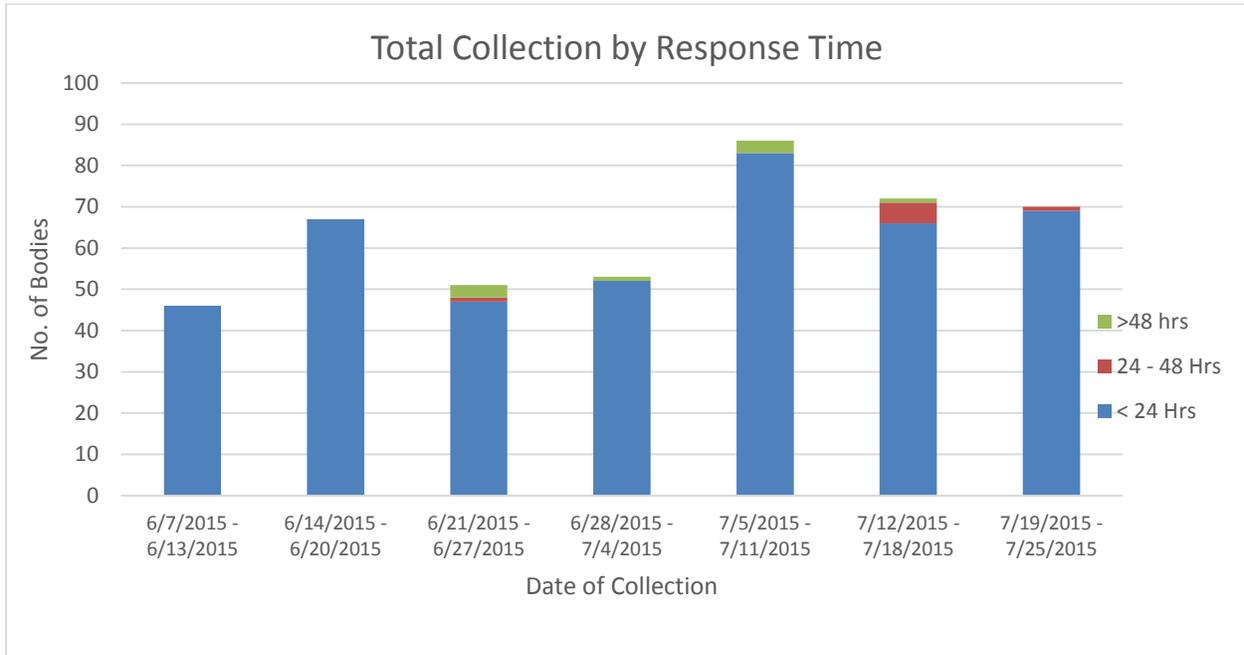
2.3 Dead Body Management

2.3.1 Overall Burial Statistics

| Total Burials Reported June 14 - 27, 2015 | | | |
|---|-------|--------------------|------------|
| County | Total | County | Total |
| Bomi | 6 | Margibi | 15 |
| Bong | 5 | Maryland | 3 |
| Gbarpolu | 1 | Montserrado | 142 |
| Grand Bassa | 13 | Nimba | 13 |
| Grand Cape Mount | 4 | Rivercess | 2 |
| Grand Gedeh | 6 | River Gee | 3 |
| Grand Kru | 4 | Sinoe | 7 |
| Lofa | 20 | Grand Total | 249 |

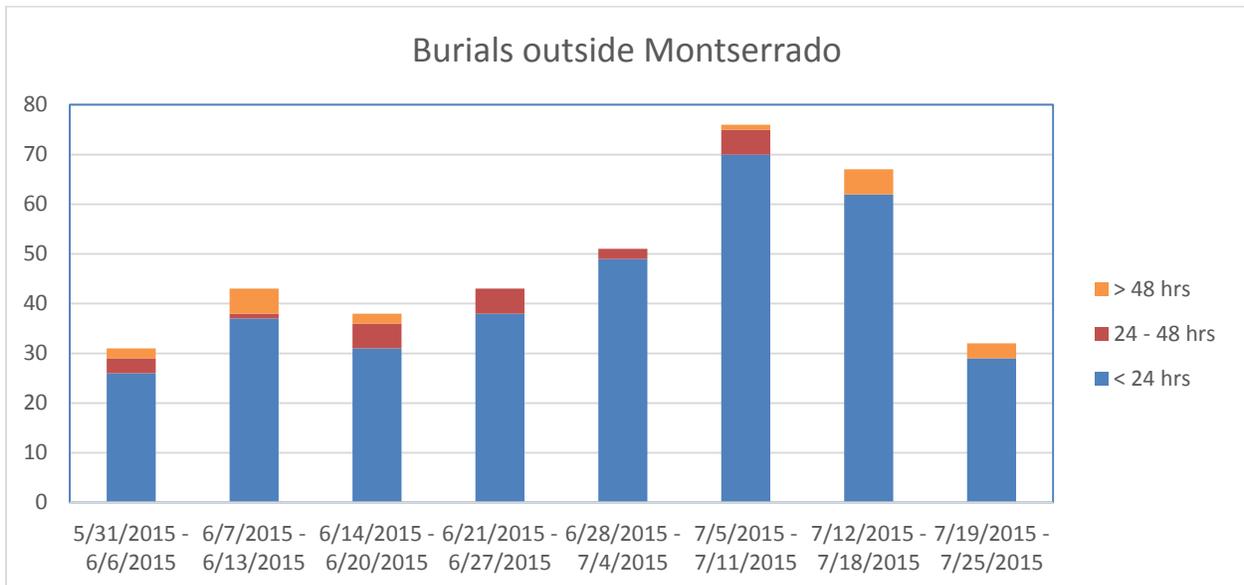
| Total Burials Reported June 28 – July 11, 2015 | |
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| Reported on July 14, 2015 | NA |
| Updated Data | 266 |

2.3.2 Montserrat County Burial Statistics



Burial teams buried 142 bodies in Montserrat County and Disco Hill during the reporting period. With the exception of 7 burials, all took place within 24 hours of death.

2.3.3 Non-Montserrat County Burial Statistics



For all burials during the reporting period for which complete data is available, 8 burials happened more than 48 hours after death.

2.4 Safe Burial Site

| | # Buried | By Religion | | By Sex | | | By Point of Origin | | |
|----------------|----------|-------------|-----|--------|-----|--------|--------------------|-----------|----------|
| | | CH | M | F | M | Unrep. | ETU | Community | Hospital |
| Total | 1,530 | 1284 | 243 | 576 | 889 | 110 | 118 | 592 | 821 |
| Percent | 100% | 84% | 16% | 38% | 55% | 7% | 8% | 39% | 53% |

