



Supporting countries achieve health service resilience

A compendium of tools & resources for emergency recovery, in a single source



What is the Recovery Toolkit?

The Toolkit is a “library” of tools and resources in a single source. The overall goal is to support the reactivation of essential health services in the aftermath of an outbreak of a highly transmissible disease (e.g. Ebola virus disease) as countries implement their National Plans. It brings together the broad range of available WHO technical “support” (with a focus on resources to facilitate and support on-the-ground action/implementation including guidance, checklists, training aids and implementation aids) in one place so that the user can quickly see the range and type of technical support across multiple vertical programs.

It is intended that the Toolkit will bring clarity to decision making and enable colleagues to identify exactly what technical support and approaches have already been used in similar contexts to accelerate learning and knowledge sharing.

The ultimate aim is to support the implementation of national plans, providing professionals with access to information they need, for example to help develop policies and design programs based on the best available evidence.

How the Toolkit was developed

All materials included have been identified by technical experts – importantly, teams who have been working with countries during this period, to ensure the most important resources for early recovery are included. The resources included have been informed by country needs. A continuous updating principle aims to ensure that new resources/case studies are identified and made available in a timely way.

What technical areas are included?

The Toolkit contains resources on the following technical areas:

General mapping/assessment tools
Immunizations and vaccinations
Maternal, newborn child and adolescent health
Communicable diseases with a focus on malaria
Mental Health
District Health Management Teams (section to be added)
Infection prevention and control (IPC)
Clinical Standards/Case Management
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

Health Workforce
Surveillance
Occupational health
Civil society and community engagement
Emergency and Essential Surgical Care & Emergency, Trauma & Acute Care
Blood Safety
Non communicable diseases (NCDs)

How it works

1. WHO Country Office leads for a **specific technical area** identify the need for technical support;
2. Consult the Toolkit index (**Part B**);
3. Go to relevant pages and review **sections 1,2,3 and 4** (see “structure” below”);
4. Access the resource - or if a gap is identified, contact TA_EarlyRecovery@who.int
5. A flowchart summary of “how to use” the Toolkit is presented on **page 13** of the Toolkit;
6. Technical leads can also share the Toolkit with counterparts in the **ministry and implementation partners** to ensure it is accessible by those who need to access its library of contents.

The Toolkit also offers a mechanism to share emerging tools and approaches across countries. If you have a tool/resource or example of implementation that might benefit colleagues – let us know at TA_EarlyRecovery@who.int

Structure

For each technical area the Toolkit presents:

1. Description of the type of technical support available during the recovery period
2. Key points and important elements informed by the basic package
3. List of key technical resources, a brief summary and a link to the URL
4. Case study examples where available

For more information:



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