**Branch Outbreak Response Team: Introduction to the BORT and Training Course**

Audience: Branch staff and senior volunteers

Session Length: 1h

Overall purpose: To convey the importance of cholera as a disease of health risk and economic disruption, and the rationale behind a response team aimed at interrupting cholera transmission in resource poor environments.

Objectives: By the end of the session participants will understand:

* How a branch cholera transmission interruption team responds to outbreaks alongside health facilities and district health authorities.
* The rationale behind the Branch Outbreak Response Team
* How the locations of intervention are prioritized, and how the BORT will assess risk and interrupt transmission.
* How the responsibilities of the team are designed into the structure of this training course.
* The health structure in your country and how the RC fits into it.

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| **Time** | **Session and facilitator notes** | **Resources needed** |
| 5 mins | Introduction and Objectives |  |
| 30 mins | The BORT within a RC cholera response  Rationale for the team  Branch outbreak Response Team activity flowchart and how this guides the course structure | PPT |
| 15 min | Cholera in your country and the government and RC structures and resources. |  |
| 10 min | Questions generally about the BORT and course |  |