The Global Response to Ebola in West Africa

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Who is Involved in the West Africa Response?

U.S. Government Agencies

- **US Agency for International Development (USAID)**
  - **Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA):** is the lead response agency, coordinates U.S. government departments and agencies involved in the response on the ground
  - Others including local mission staff, Food For Peace, and Global Health Bureau

- **Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)**
  - **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)** approximately 230 staff in West Africa
    - Technical support, training, laboratory services, epidemiologic investigation.
    - 24/7 Emergency Operations Center
    - U.S. Public Health Service

- **Department of Defense (DoD)**
  - Over 2,200 service members in West Africa
  - Build treatment units, training health care workers, logistics and transport, laboratory support

- **State Department**
  - Diplomatic response, coordination of national & multilateral stakeholders

Who is Involved in the West Africa Response?
Other Countries, Multilateral Groups, and Organizations

• United Nations
  • UN Mission for Emergency Ebola Response (UNMEER): coordinates multilateral response across UN agencies, working with local countries and other actors
  • World Health Organization (WHO): technical support
  • UNICEF, World Food Program (WFP), UN Office for the Coordinator of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), others

• Other Multilateral Institutions
  • World Bank
  • Global Fund, others

• Local, Regional Governments and Actors
  • Governments of Liberia, Guinea, and Sierra Leone
  • African Union

• Other Major Donor Countries

• Non-governmental organizations, charities, universities, private sector
  • Doctors without Borders/Medicines sans Frontieres, International Medical Corps, Samaritan’s Purse, Gates Foundation, Paul Allen Foundation, etc.
What is the Response Approach?

- **STOP the outbreak**
  - Identify individuals with Ebola infection as soon as possible
  - Safe and dignified burials

- **TREAT the infected**
  - Bring those infected into quality care and treatment centers
  - Medical care for health workers and other responders
  - Community care campaigns in areas without sufficient clinics/beds

- **ENSURE essential services**
  - Food security and nutrition
  - Access to basic (non-Ebola) medical care, care for orphans

- **PRESERVE stability**
  - Transport, supplies, social mobilization, messaging, countering stigma

- **PREVENT outbreaks in neighboring countries**
  - Strengthen regional and global preparedness

UN: $988m needed to implement response

Source: UN Ebola Virus Disease Outbreak Overview of Needs and Requirements, September 2014
Global Financing for Ebola Response in West Africa

TOTAL FUNDING (through 14 Nov):

- Of which supporting the UN response plan: $693.9 m
- Of which funding outside UN response plan: $533.0 m

Source: USAID
Ebola Response Fact Sheet #7
http://www.usaid.gov/ebola/fy15/fs07; UNOCHA Financial Tracking Service
## Remaining Gaps and Barriers

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[http://www.who.int/csr/disease/ebola/situation-reports/en/?m=20141105](http://www.who.int/csr/disease/ebola/situation-reports/en/?m=20141105)
Looking Forward

- Need for flexibility as epidemic evolves and changes course
- Planning ahead for transfer of responsibilities as response evolves
- Broader global health security and preparedness
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Thank you!

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