



UNICEF C4D staff trained over 600 police officers, men and women, on Ebola prevention measures in Guinea UNICEF/La Rose

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Ebola

Situation Report

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HIGHLIGHTS

- The total number of confirmed cases rose this week from 3,326 to 3,327 with one new confirmed case reported from Ratoma area of the capital, Conakry, according to [WHO Ebola Situation Report](#).
- The number of confirmed deaths rose from 2,069 to 2,070 this past week with a total count of 2,522 confirmed and probable deaths.
- Conakry remained the focus of social mobilization efforts. Ministry of Transportation programme checking passengers' temperature and ensuring hand-washing at Conakry's major traffic junctions continued. Since 20 July, the 2,547 animators have checked a total of 1,882,434 passengers at 34 maritime transport stations, 12 mini-bus and taxi terminals, 136 bus stops, 10 motorbike-taxi stations, and Conakry's train station.
- UNICEF has launched a project with the Ministry of Interior and Security which includes the training of 600 police officers on Ebola prevention and sensitization who will support the Ministry of Transportation in securing Conakry's major traffic junctions and deployed to secure 61 cemeteries and two hospitals.
- 559 people used medical services offered in the village of Kigbaly (prefecture of Forécariah) where the monitoring campaign is ongoing and received free health care with the support of UNICEF.
- 82 registered children who have lost one of both parents in Kindia and Dubréka received individual hygiene kits bringing the total number of Ebola-affected children who have received individual hygiene kits to 7,677 (including 5,874 children who have lost one or both parents to the disease).
- UNICEF has launched an innovative system that uses the Kobocollect platform and mobile phones for monitoring of services provided to orphans by NGOs. It will help UNICEF and the Ministry of Social Action generate real-time reports and better understand the situation of children who have lost one or both parents. 85 social workers (60 in Kindia and 25 in Dabola) have been trained to use this system.

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

As of 04 AUGUST 2015

3,784

Cases of Ebola (3,327 confirmed)

2,522

Deaths (2,070 confirmed)

639

Cases among children 0-17 (confirmed)

379

Deaths of children and youth aged 0-17 (confirmed)

4,350,633

Children in affected areas since the beginning of the epidemic

195

Cases among health workers with 99 deaths (confirmed)

106,283

Children received psychosocial support

2,366,368

People benefiting from UNICEF hygiene kits

Leadership and Coordination

- At the request of the Ebola National Coordination Body, UNICEF in collaboration with other agencies, is preparing for a workshop by the end of this month to review the surveillance system. The objective will be to review the four pillars of the Ebola response (Infection Prevention and Control, Social Mobilization and Community Engagement, Secured and Dignified Burials and Surveillance) and better synergize their efforts towards a stronger early warning system.
- UNICEF Country Office embarked on an internal contingency planning exercise in Conakry with the Western Zonal Office to prepare for potential threats including but not limited to flooding and further outbreaks, foreseen in next coming months. In August 2015, a multi-risk, multi-agency contingency plan meeting will be organized in Nzérékoré by the Southern Field Office under the leadership of the Governor of the region.
- Under the leadership of OCHA, the WASH cluster has contributed on the design of the inter-agency contingency plan developed during the week.

WASH

UNICEF, in partnership with:

- the CECOJE platform, distributed 52 handwashing kits to the members of the Federation of Artisans in the urban commune of Kindia.
- the NGO Search for Common Ground carried out various activities on handwashing and the promotion of hygiene during which 2,597 persons were reached by awareness messages through 45 projections of mobile cinema, 392 persons through 7 projections via video clubs in the prefectures of Kindia and Forécariah, 6,530 persons (2,100 women) reached via 428 restitutions organized in the prefectures of Boffa, Forécariah, Dubréka, Coyah, Kindia and Conakry. Additionally, 34 broadcasts of films and cartoons were aired at RTG Koloma, RTG Boulbinet and the private television channel DTV.
- the NGO CEAD started the manual drilling of 70 boreholes in the administrative region of Nzérékoré. To date, 33 boreholes were drilled out of which twelve during this week benefiting 3,600 persons.
- UNICEF continues the rehabilitation of 60 boreholes and the construction of five new wells in the Nzérékoré Region. To date, the rehabilitation of 60 community boreholes is complete of which three were rehabilitated this week in the Prefecture of Lola benefiting around 900 beneficiaries.
- UNICEF has begun the manual drilling of 50 boreholes in Mandiana and Siguiri prefectures. To date, 15 boreholes were drilled including one during this week for the benefit of about 300 people.
- UNICEF continues the rehabilitation of 35 community boreholes (25 community boreholes and 10 water points in health facilities) in Faranah Region. To date, all the 25 community boreholes have been rehabilitated and five boreholes were drilled in health facilities for 1,500 beneficiaries.
- UNICEF has donated 40 motorbikes to the Ministry in charge of water and environment to strengthen the capacity of monitoring the implementation of activities in the field.

Health

- UNICEF support for the creation of an isolation centre for suspected Ebola cases and sample testing under biosafety conditions at the Donka National Hospital continues. A technical working group composed of the national Ebola coordination, staff of Donka hospital and partners (UNICEF, WHO, MSF, IMC, JHPIEGO) for strengthening the triage has been put in place. The site for the isolation centre and other needs have been identified and action has been taken to make the centre functional in the next two days.
- Review of the epidemiological surveillance of EVD in Phase 3 and of the response with the development of new approaches in the investigation and monitoring of contacts was initiated by the National coordination and partners (WHO, UNICEF, CDC, IFRC). A meeting organized by WHO with all 33 prefectures and five communes of Guinea, in collaboration with UNICEF and other partners, have identified the main bottlenecks and proposed corrective actions including social mobilization interventions as a priority.
- A workshop was organized in preparation for the Meningitis Campaign scheduled to take place from 6 to 12 August 2015. Participants were regional and prefectural health directors, and other stakeholders. This workshop allowed for the adaptation of messages to the specific realities of each locality.

- The UN HIV joint team (UNICEF, UNAIDS and other UN agencies) had a meeting to discuss the post-Ebola relaunching of HIV interventions. During the meeting, some key elements to be retained were :
 - Acceleration of the expansion of PMTCT (Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV) sites and rapid early infant diagnosis in Ebola-free prefectures to boost early ARV (Anti Retro Virus) treatment and care of children infected with HIV, under Government leadership and in collaboration with UNICEF.
 - Provide financial and technical support to Associations for People Living with HIV (PLWH) for community activities of care and support of HIV positive women of child-bearing age, HIV positive pregnant women and their families, especially those affected by the Ebola epidemic. UNICEF, in collaboration with UNAIDS, will lead the process.
 - Funds mobilization mechanisms for food and nutritional management of PLWH and HIV positive pregnant women with severe malnutrition and to aid resilience to Ebola impact, with WFP leading, in collaboration with UNICEF.
- UNICEF had a working session with the National AIDS Programme and the National Reference Laboratory to prepare the launching of HIV early infant diagnosis in children born HIV positive mothers in the Ebola-free Kandia district.

Nutrition

- UNICEF and partners have provided counselling and therapeutic food to 2,227 Ebola patients in treatment centres as well as Ready-to-Use Infant formula to 1,966 children and infants whose mothers have been affected by Ebola. Meanwhile 6,818 children under five with Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) were treated in the Ebola most affected districts (the data is updated monthly).
- The Nutrition and Food Security Cluster meeting was held on July 30 2015 with the participation of 15 organizations. During the meeting the Cluster's Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) was incepted. Elected members included the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education, WFP, Helen Keller International and the national NGO REGOSA. The role of the SAG is to provide consultative insights to the Cluster Coordinator (UNICEF) on key decisions.
- The preparation for a nutrition cluster contingency plan has started, and the cluster members have committed to update the nutrition contingency plan in the Ebola context.
- UNICEF has sponsored the World Breastfeeding Week (WBFW) celebrations in all health districts of Guinea. The WBFW has been launched in the region of Labé 1 August 2015 with significant involvement of the Guinean Government and partners. Activities will continue and further launching ceremonies are scheduled on 4 August 2015 at district level. The closing ceremony will take place 8 August 2015 in the National Hospital of Donka and the National Institute of Mother and Child Health.
- A meeting of a technical working group on salt production and quality was held with participation of government and producers at the Ministry for Rural Development. UNICEF has introduced the upcoming iodized salt market analysis that will include a national evaluation on the salt commercialization and distribution, and the streamlining of the iodization process.

Communication for Development (C4D)

- UNICEF and the Ministry of Interior and Security trained and sensitized 600 police officers who will then sensitize others on how to effectively use picture boxes as a communication tool, for example. These police officers will support the Ministry of Transportation in securing Conakry's major traffic junctions. In addition, they will also be deployed to secure 61 cemeteries to prevent illegal burials and to ensure that visitors of two of Conakry's hospitals (Donka and Ignace Deen) respect the preventive measures put in place.
- Also in Conakry, monitoring campaigns continued in the four neighborhoods where Ebola-positive cases were recently reported. UNICEF is supervising the social mobilization teams that visit daily the 87 households concerned. In Matam, where the campaign is finished, the attendance rate during these visits reached an impressive 87 per cent with more than 200 people seeking medical consultation and 53 people volunteering to take part in the Ebola vaccination trial. In Ratoma (campaign ongoing), attendance rate during the daily visits increased to 94 per cent for week two, compared to 84 per cent for week one. The

social mobilization team was key in finding two lost contacts. Both accepted to be transferred to an Ebola treatment center.

- UNICEF continued its social mobilization activities in Boké, Conakry, Coyah, Dubréka, Forécariah, Fria, and Kindia including through door-to-door visits to 31,078 households. In Forécariah, the monitoring campaign in Kigbaly came to an end on 27 July 2015. 938 people have been sensitized during door-to-door visits in the targeted 108 households. The number of people reached actually exceeded the number of people usually living in these households (620). This is explained by the fact that people from neighboring households also attended these visits, indicating trust and appreciation for the social mobilization teams.

Child Protection

UNICEF and partners:

- trained 411 community leaders in child protection and psychosocial support (PSS). The majority of these community leaders are members of CVPE (Councils village for Child Protection). To date 6,300 community leaders have been trained.
- organized 784 plays and recreational sessions, in which 584 children (230 girls) who had not previously participated were included. Among the new children there were 37 orphans (18 girls). This brings the total number of children that have received psychosocial support to 106,283.
- set up 32 new Councils village for Child Protection (CVPE) in Kindia and Boké regions, and trained their members, bringing the total number of active CVPEs to 746.
- Community volunteers and social workers organized follow-up visits to families taking care of 1,339 children who have lost one or both parents due to Ebola (631 girls).

Education

- The exam process for the baccalaureate is ending in which 63,189 candidates are taking part (21,358 girls). Major prevention and security measures established since the beginning are in place and have ensured safe environment for students.
- Broadcast of key sensitization messages on Ebola through radio education is continuing until the Ministry of Education decides when to put it on standby until its relaunch planned for the next school year.
- Preparation is ongoing for the training of 105 trainers in psychosocial support in the prefectures of Kindia, Boffa, Coyah, Forécariah and Dubréka.

Supply and Logistics

UNICEF provided:

- 100,000 bottles of Liquid Chlorine Solution to the logistics unit of Ebola Coordination for distribution in health centers.
- 160 bicycles were remitted to child protection partners for surveillance activities in Kankan region.
- 211 Emergency Health Kits renewables, 15 midwifery kit equipment, 137 midwifery kit renewables and 24 obstetrical kits, and medicines, were received and will be dispatched in health centers in Ebola affected areas in the western region of Guinea.
- 15 ambulance-motorcycles, 19 ambulance-vehicles and 112 all-terrain motorcycles were remitted to the National Ebola Coordination for field supervision and health-care activities.

Human Resources

UNICEF Guinea employs 193 staff members of which 61 are international professionals and 132 are national staff. UNICEF has three sub-offices in Conakry, Kankan and Nzérékoré which together have 81 staff. Staff from the Conakry Main Office are constantly deployed in the field to coordinate and support social mobilization and community engagement activities. Through its partnership with various national and international NGOs, UNICEF Guinea is coordinating the activities of 2,556 social mobilizers and community engagement specialists excluding the 4,816 members of the CVV/CVQs (Comité de Veille Villageois/Comité de Veille de Quartier) it supports in the eight sub-prefectures.

Media and External Communications

UNICEF continues to inform its audiences through regular press releases and social media posts, in English and French. UNICEF Guinea frequently posts updates about the emergency and its response on Twitter, Facebook, Flickr and Tumblr pages.

- [Lancement de la Semaine Mondiale de l'Allaitement Maternel](#)
- [Labé : Lancement la semaine mondiale de l'allaitement maternel](#)
- [Ebola, manifestation politique, pluie en Guinée : « Les commerçants sont dans le rouge »](#)

Programme Results

UNICEF and Pillar/Sector Results for Ebola Response						
Guinea, 29 July 2015						
Indicators	Pillar / Sector			UNICEF		
	Target	Actual	% Achieved	Target	Actual	% Achieved
EPIDEMIOLOGY						
Children 0-17 years living in Ebola affected areas		4,350,633				
Cases among children 0-17 years		639				
Registered Ebola children who lost one or both parents/primary caregivers		6,160				
COMMUNICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT						
Households reached with interpersonal communication on Ebola prevention ¹	1,004,106	1,584,728	158%	1,004,106	1,584,728	158%
Hotspot communities reached by social mobilizers/rapid response teams within 24 hours of detection of Ebola cases in the past week				100%	100% (1/1)	
Sub-prefectures, chiefdoms and/or counties reporting resistance/reticence to cooperating with frontline workers in the past week				0%	2/342	
Ebola-related resistance/reticence incidents reported in the past week				0	2	
Proportion of population surveyed who indicated discriminatory attitude towards Ebola survivors				<3%	N/D	
Proportion of population surveyed who rejected alternatives to traditional burials/funerals				<3%	3% 44/1,458 ²	
Community Care Centres						
CCCs established		6			6	
CCCs functional		3			3	
WASH						
Ebola community, treatment and holding centres with essential WASH services ³	16	16	100%	10	10	100%
Non-Ebola health centres in Ebola-affected areas provided with hand washing station and/or WASH support	800	233	29%	600	162	27%
People benefiting from household WASH kits in Ebola-affected areas	4,666,667	3,433,530	74%	3,500,000	2,366,368	68%
Population benefitting from water points rehabilitated/constructed ⁴				172,500	125,600	73%
CHILD PROTECTION						

¹ Social mobilization is now conducted by all cluster members. The target has been exceeded because some households have been visited twice – particularly in some areas in Forécariah and Coyah where intensive door-to-door campaigns have been organized (twice in Forécariah). The cluster may adopt a new target figure in due course

² KAP survey, February 2015

³ There are 10 CTEs and CDTs plus six CTCs established by UNICEF. There are no plans at this stage to build additional CTEs/CDTs/CTCs in the country. All units have been provided with water facilities

⁴ UNICEF target has been reviewed from 67,500 to 172,500 according to the provision in terms of rehabilitation/buildings of water points up to December 2015 (350 water points rehabilitated/built)

Ebola-affected children provided with minimum package of psychosocial support (PSS) services	120,000	106,283	88%	120,000	106,283	89%
Registered children who lost one or both parents/primary caregivers due to Ebola and child survivors of Ebola who received a minimum package of support/nationally agreed package, including family tracing and reunification or placement in alternative family based care	6,000	5,868	98%	6,000	5,868	98%
HEALTH						
Health structures in Ebola-affected areas provided with Infection, Prevention and Control (IPC) supplies				800	723	90%
Community health workers trained in Ebola prevention and case management				3,000	1,100	37%
Children 6-59 months immunized against measles during the measles campaign ⁱ				875,580	858,547	98%
HIV/AIDS						
HIV positive pregnant/breast feeding women receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART) for the prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT)				6,608	4,723	71%
Exposed new born provided with antiretroviral (ARV) for the prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT)				6,608	1,652	25%
NUTRITION						
Ebola patients receiving nutrition support				2,600	2,227	86%
Children suffering from severe acute malnutrition (SAM) admitted for treatment				7,250	6,818	94%
Infants 0-6 months who cannot be breast fed, receiving ready to use infant formula				2,600	1,966	76%
EDUCATION						
Radio stations broadcasting emergency learning programmes				20	22	110%
Teachers trained in providing psychosocial support				27,510	11,285	41%
Teachers trained in Ebola prevention	82,168	80,657	98%	15,931	15,931	100%
Schools equipped with minimum hygiene package for Ebola prevention compliant with protocols	12,455	12,455	100%	7,176	7,176	100%
Children in school benefitting from learning kits				100,000	110,165	110%
Children enrolled in schools equipped with minimum hygiene package	2,704,477	2,704,477	100%	1,437,648	1,437,648	100%
Schools benefitting from replenishment of minimum hygiene package	12,455	4,429	36%	7,176	1,779	25%

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