

IOM Cholera Outbreak Response, Bentiu Protection of Civilians Site and Bentiu Town



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To support efforts to limit cholera transmission and at the request of the Ministry of Health, IOM and partners have rapidly scaled up cholera response activities in the Bentiu Protection of Civilians (PoC) site and in Bentiu town and surrounding villages. The multi-sector response is being led by the Health and WASH Clusters. IOM Health, WASH and Camp Management teams work closely with partners to ensure a coordinated response.

Key highlights

- 63,551** in the PoC provided with cholera prevention messages
- 23,615** school pupils reached during 'Good Morning Children' cholera awareness sessions
- 6,642** individuals provided with cholera and good hygiene practices messages in Bentiu town and surrounding villages
- 8** boreholes repaired in Bentiu town

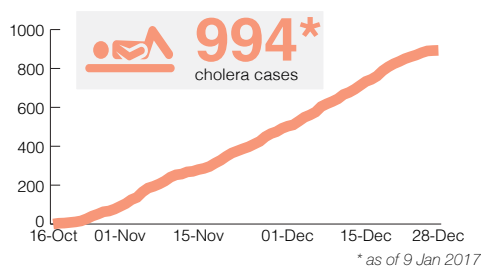
Bentiu PoC Site

IOM is managing oral rehydration points (ORPs) at three health clinics in the PoC site, including one 24-hour ORP in Sector 1. Since October, IOM health teams have provided cholera case management services and referred 79 severe cases to the Médecins Sans Frontières Cholera Treatment Center (CTC). Cholera prevention is strengthened through community outreach activities conducted by health and hygiene promoters (HHPs), who are providing active case finding and follow-up for ORP referrals, oral rehydration solution to communities in high transmission areas and cholera prevention messages through household visits. Camp management outreach workers supported HHPs with awareness raising through door-to-door visits and megaphones, alongside Internews Boda Boda Talk Talk activities.

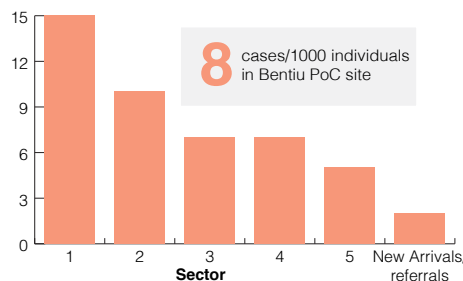
Reported cases, Bentiu PoC Site



Cummulative cases, Bentiu PoC Site



Cases per 1,000 individuals, by sector, Bentiu PoC Site



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Bentiu Town

To support cholera awareness and prevention, IOM is providing communities with sustainable access to safe water in Bentiu town. IOM hygiene promoters provide cholera awareness messages through household visits, mass community campaigns and in market places.

