The 2011 WHA 64.15 resolution “Cholera mechanisms for control and prevention” requested the WHO Director-General to revitalize the Global Task Force for Cholera Control (GTFCC) and to strengthen WHO’s work in this area, including improved collaboration and coordination among relevant WHO departments and other relevant stakeholders. A revitalization process has been initiated in December 2012 and completed in early 2014. Terms of Reference have been agreed and are accessible below. The first meeting of the revitalized GTFCC has taken place in June 2014 to finalize membership and priorities.

Declaration on Ending Cholera

In October 2017, 35 GTFCC partners endorsed a call to action on ending cholera, an unprecedented engagement to fight cholera through implementation of the Global Roadmap:

- Ending Cholera – A Global Roadmap to 2030

Through the declaration, the GTFCC partners call for a commitment from all stakeholders to support cholera-affected countries and align our energies, efforts, and resources to end cholera transmission.

- Declaration on Ending Cholera
pdf, 296kb

Vision for the revitalized Global Task Force on Cholera Control

- GTFCC members share a vision that collective action can stop cholera transmission and end cholera deaths. The purpose of the GTFCC is to support increased implementation of evidence-based strategies to control cholera
- The GTFCC aims to achieve this through strengthened international collaboration and improved coordination amongst stakeholders active in cholera-related activities
- GTFCC activities will aim to raise the visibility of cholera as a public health issue, facilitate sharing of evidence-based practices, and contribute to capacity development in all areas of cholera control
- The GTFCC shall not be responsible for developing any technical norms or standards

Objectives

- To support the design and implementation of global strategies to contribute to capacity development for cholera prevention and control globally.
- To provide a forum for technical exchange, coordination, and cooperation on cholera-related activities to strengthen countries' capacity to prevent and control cholera, especially those related to implementation of proven effective strategies and monitoring of progress, dissemination and implementation of technical guidelines, operational manuals, etc.

- To support the development of a research agenda with special emphasis on evaluating innovative approaches to cholera prevention and control in affected countries.
- To increase the visibility of cholera as an important global public health problem through integration and dissemination of information about cholera prevention and control, and conducting advocacy and resource mobilization activities to support cholera prevention and control at national, regional, and global levels.