

Dear Colleague,

Thank you again for assisting us with this effort to identify measures of effectiveness in disaster medical response.

In the previous round, you and 38 other experts helped to identify the most meaningful measures extracted from a review of scientific literature. In addition, your group recommended nearly 400 free text measures for consideration. From this, we have selected 140 measures that met criteria established under the research project methodology.

In this round, we ask that you review this refined list of measures. Instructions on selection criteria will be provided on the following page, and on the header of every subsequent page. This is perhaps one of the most critical points of the study, and we are deeply grateful to your commitment to this effort. Your insight is vital in its success. This round should take an estimated 15 minutes to complete.

Should you have any questions, please let us know. If you logged into this survey through your email, you can always "pause" the survey without losing your responses. After completing the page you are currently on and clicking "Next," simply close the webpage. When you are ready to resume the survey, re-open it using the link that was sent to you.

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Instructions:

Please select all measures that answer the following prompt:

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Consider whether each measure:

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Produces useable information

Can be feasibly measured

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There are a total of 20 categories in which measures are organized. These categories will be presented in random order over five pages of questions.

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*Evaluation and Diagnosis:

	Yes	No
Are cases of epidemic prone diseases reported to a central agency within 24 hours of onset of illness?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of infectious outbreaks are reported to an overseeing epidemiology agency within 24 hours of detection?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the number of disease-specific laboratory confirmed cases?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are protocols in place for confirmatory lab testing by a reference laboratory or LRN (laboratory reference network)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment Measures: General

	Yes	No
What is the healthcare provider to patient ratio? (# of providers : # of patients treated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the age specific morbidity rate? (# of those within age group with a medical visit/ # within age group within catchment area/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What are the rates of patients seen within each major age group (infants, children, adolescents, adults, geriatric)? (# within age group/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What proportion of the essential drug list is not available to the prescribing provider? (# of drug types out of stock/# of drugs on essential drug list/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of patients are delayed in treatment due to resources of providers?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of patients have been identified with moderate to severe injuries?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the cause-specific mortality rate? (deaths from "X" cause/those identified with "X" cause/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What number of patients have been treated? (patients/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What are the incidence rates for the most common medical and surgical conditions? (#'s with condition/total patients evaluated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How many healthcare facilities are open and operating? (functional centers/total centers/region)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the under-5 mortality rate for patients treated? (# of under-5 deaths/# of under-5 patients cared for/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is medical support provided to local health facilities?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment measures: Anesthesia

	Yes	No
What is the quantity of all medical supplies available for response?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of patients were treated using a pre-established pain protocol? (# of patients treated according to a protocol/ # of patients receiving any analgesia/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of patients with injury received pain control measures? (# of patients receiving pain medication/ # of patients treated for injury or other pain inducing condition/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of providers reported adequate training to perform the tasks required of them?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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*Treatment measures: Blood products

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What is the rate of distribution of matched blood products? (# of matched blood units transfused/# of blood units requested/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are local emergency activation protocols or MOUs for blood use incorporated into response plans?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of blood products were deemed unusable due to inadequate storage capability? (# of unusable units identified/total # of units available/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment measures: Critical care

	Yes	No
What is the mortality rate of patients in critical care areas? (# of deaths/# of patients treated in a critical care area/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are critical care staff available?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What amount of time elapsed between recognition of surge needs and access to adequate personnel and equipment?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What criteria are used in end of life and withdrawal of care decisions?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of uncorrectable device failure for critical care devices? (# of failed devices/# of available devices/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the healthcare provider to patient ratio in critical care areas? (# of critical healthcare provider days/# of critical care patient days/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of transport for critically ill patients? (# of critically ill patients transported to a higher acuity facility/# of patients treated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of age appropriate utilization of mechanical devices? (# of patient days per age group on mechanical support/total # of patients days on a mechanical support/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What basic life support measures are available?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of critical care patients are being boarded in noncritical care capable areas? (critical care patient days spent in noncritical areas/total critical care patient days/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment measures: Infectious Disease

	Yes	No
What rate of injuries requiring debridement received early antibiotics? (# of patients with injury receiving antibiotics/# of patients identified with injury requiring early antibiotics/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of patients with a communicable disease (airborne, droplet, contact) are hospitalized in an isolation setting? (# of patients in isolation/# of patients with transmissible infection/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of the WHO essential drug list was available in a pediatric and adult formulation? (# of patients receiving antibiotics/# of patients requiring antibiotics/day (adult, pediatric))	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What duration of time elapsed before environmental control measures were fully in place? (hours)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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*Treatment measures: Mental health

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How many people have been trained in Psychological First Aid? (# of persons receiving training/# of persons providing any medical care/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of provision of mental health resources for children? (# of children receiving mental health resources/# of children screened for mental health concern/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of patients are presenting with behavioral health concerns? (# of patients identified with a behavioral concern as the sole diagnosis/# of patients treated for any condition/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are mental health services available?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What mental health surveillance system is in place?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment measures: Reproductive health

	Yes	No
What is the rate of stillbirths? (# of stillbirths/# of deliveries/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of delivery by C-section? (# of C-sections/# of deliveries/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the number of pregnant women being treated? (# of females aged 15-45 identified as pregnant/# of females aged 15-45 evaluated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the preterm birth rate? (# of births < 38 weeks estimated gestation/# of births/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of personnel are trained in the management of pregnant trauma patients? (# of providers trained in care of pregnant trauma patients/ # of providers in trauma areas)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of post-exposure prophylaxis given? (# of persons delivered full regimen of post-exposure prophylaxis/# of persons identified with high-risk exposures/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment measures: Orthopedic care

	Yes	No
What is the rate of limb amputation? (# of amputations/ # of identified limb threatening injuries evaluated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of open fractures required early debridement? (# patients receiving early debridement/ # of patients with open fractures/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What proportion of time was appropriate orthopedic equipment available for patient care? (# of patients with orthopedic treatment deferred due to equipment availability/ # of patients receiving orthopedic injury stabilization/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of hospitalized amputations? (# of patients receiving amputation/# of patients treated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of patients undergoing amputation have been reviewed according to standard of care protocols? (# of patients with amputation receiving review by pre-established protocol/ # of patients receiving amputation/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of debridement of dirty wounds? (# patients receiving debridement/ # of patients with contaminated wounds/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of patients need treatment for orthopedic injury? (# of patients with a new orthopedic injury/ # of patients newly evaluated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment measures: Pediatric care

	Yes	No
Are pediatric formulations for medications present?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of pediatric patients being cared for in non-pediatric areas? (# of pediatric patient days in a pediatric safe ward/# of pediatric patient days/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are milk supplies available for infants?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What proportion of pediatric patients have been screened for malnutrition? (# of patients screened for malnutrition/ # of pediatric patients/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of children require assistive devices such as mechanical ventilation? (# of pediatric patients days on critical care devices/ # of pediatric patient days/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of children have underlying special medical needs? (# of children with identified special need/# of children evaluated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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*Treatment measures: Renal

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What is the rate of renal failure assessment via rapid protocol? (# of patients evaluated for renal failure by rapid protocol/# of patients with traumatic injury/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment Measures: Surgical care

	Yes	No
What rate of cases are being treated for non-traumatic conditions? (# of patients treated for non-traumatic condition/ # of patients evaluated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of surgical interventions made without (general) anesthesia? (# of non-sedated non-minor surgical procedures/ # of non-minor surgical procedures performed/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of surgical procedures (minor, moderate, severe)? (# of procedures of each type/ # of patients evaluated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is sterilization equipment present?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment measures: Triage

	Yes	No
What is the rate of retriage? (# of patients triaged more than once/# of patients triaged/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percent of providers have been trained in the current system of triage?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment measures: Infrastructure

	Yes	No
Does a disposal mechanism exist for human waste removal?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are infection control procedures in place?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the volume of clean water available per person per treatment facility? (liters of clean water/ # of persons treated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are latrines available for patient use?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Treatment measures: Special needs

	Yes	No
What is the rate of provision of chronic medical care? (# of patients receiving treatment for a chronic medical condition / # of patients evaluated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the rate of provision of physiotherapy? (# of patients receiving rehabilitation services/ # of patients with a new functional limitation/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Disposition measures

	Yes	No
Is cold storage available for the deceased?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of discharged patients have an identified place for follow up care?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What method is used to hand-off patient care on departure of team?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the ratio of persons per vehicle available for team evacuation?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are social services available?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of providers have been trained in the fatality management protocol?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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*Response team: Coordination measures

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Have medical teams been registered with a coordinating body prior to arrival?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are local medical staff incorporated into the response?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Did search and rescue teams coordinate with medical teams?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of responders have a clearly defined role?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Has a clear chain of command been in place?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are your medical services being coordinated through the incident command center?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Was a needs assessment performed by an advanced team?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Response team: Health and performance measures

	Yes	No
What rate of staff were unable to complete the full duration of duty secondary to a physical limitation? (# of responders unable to perform required function due to physical concern/# of responders available midweek/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Have providers had prior disaster training?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of responders report inability to perform assigned functions due to a mental health concern? (# of responders unable to perform required function due to mental health concern/# of responders available midweek/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What rate of your staff needed to be evacuated from the treatment site and why? (# of evacuated staff/# of staff on site midweek/week)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Response Team: Logistics measures

	Yes	No
Is personal protective equipment available for providers?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is accommodation in place for providers?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is electricity available?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are safety measures in place for providers?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What percentage of impacted population are displaced secondary to housing of responders?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Has food and water been transported with the team?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are translators present?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What is the ratio of translators:providers at the midpoint of the response?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Public Health Measures

	Yes	No
What is the vaccination rate? (# of persons provided "X" vaccination/# of persons evaluated/day)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are public health staff incorporated into response?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is communicable disease monitoring being performed?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*Demographic information

Name:

Email Address:

Thank You

Thank you again for your participation in this study. Over the coming weeks, your answers and those from our other study participants will be compiled. These responses will be used to construct the final rounds of this study. We will contact you within the next one to two months for the next round of surveys.

Again, your participation is greatly appreciated as we construct a tool to allow more meaningful assessment of disaster response. Our goal is to enable responding agencies to highlight successes and identify opportunities for improvement.

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