



RED CRESCENT COMMUNITY EPIDEMIC AND PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS IN CENTRAL ASIA

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IFRC's approach to Global Health Security

Vision

Strengthen the ability of **communities, National Societies** and **other partners** to **prevent, detect and respond** to disease threats and prepare for future risks.

Expected Outcomes

Resilient communities: Local communities have the necessary knowledge and demonstrate capacity to effectively prevent, detect, report and respond early to outbreaks.

Resilient National Societies: The NS's have a recognized role in epidemic preparedness and response, have adopted a holistic view of hazard risk management.

Resilient Societies: Key stakeholders understand the role they can play and are actively involved in epidemic risk management.

Pillars

Preparing communities

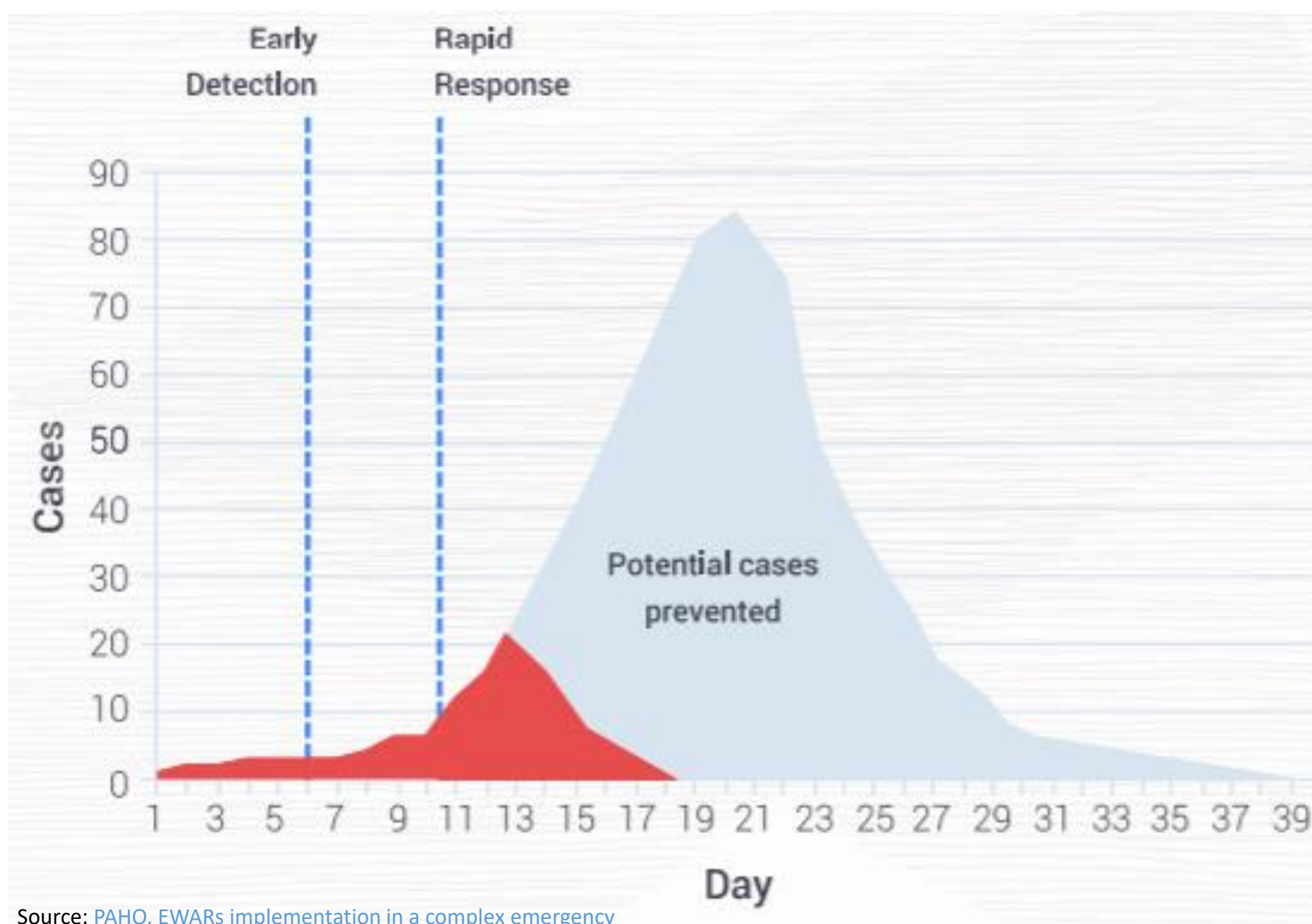
Preparing National Societies

Preparing Business and society

A whole of society , multi-hazard and community centered epidemic/pandemic preparedness & response

What is community-based surveillance and why are we talking about it?

*CBS is the systematic detection and reporting significant public health events within a community by community members**



Source: [PAHO, EWARs implementation in a complex emergency](#)

- CBS can extend existing **human health and animal health** surveillance systems – beyond health facility
- **Practical application of One Health approach**
- Opportunity to link surveillance with community actions
- Early warning leads to early action which results in lives saved
- Community volunteers identify and report on simple health risks of public health concern (they do not need to be medically trained)



KYRGYZSTAN and TAJIKISTAN





Epidemic and pandemic preparedness programmes using a One Health approach:



- National Societies have an auxiliary role to public authorities
- Three- year programme in Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan, implemented by IFRC and Red Crescent Societies of Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan
- Supported by DG ECHO and Red Cross partners (Italian Red Cross, Finnish Red Cross and German Red Cross)
- In Tajikistan, additionally supported by USAID.





Achievements in Kyrgyzstan:



- Risk communication and community engagement activities by trained Red Crescent volunteers.
- Educating the public about priority zoonotic diseases such as echinococcosis, alveococcosis, brucellosis, rabies, anthrax and encouraging people to vaccinate their animals.
- Reached over 90,000 people (October 2023-April 2024)





Achievements in Kyrgyzstan:



- Piloting of Community- based Surveillance (CBS) in two districts in Talas and Jalal-Abad regions, with a focus on zoonotic diseases.
- Planned to sign tri-partite memorandum of understanding between the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Agriculture and Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan on joint collaboration.
- A member of the Country's One Health Technical Working Group.



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Achievements in Tajikistan:



- Piloting Community- based Surveillance in five districts in RRS and Sughd regions, with a focus on zoonotic diseases (rabies, anthrax, etc.)
- Close collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Agriculture.
- Risk communication and community engagement activities by trained community volunteers.
- Educating the public about priority zoonotic diseases and encouraging them to vaccinate their animals.
- Reached over 5,000 people in 2023.





Q&A – THANK YOU!

Scan for more information:

[IFRC Epidemic and Pandemic Preparedness Website](#)

