

Typhoid Fever

Operational Support & Logistics Disease Commodity Packages

Agent's Biosafety Level: BSL2 Typhoid Fever [LINK]

Epidemic Potential: Medium

Last Update: 21 September 2018

SURVEILLANCE

Sample Collection

Diagnosis

Rapid Diagnostic Test (RDT)

Culture

Several Non-prequalified commercial tests

Antiserum and AMS required

Note: Many diagnostics supplies are also used for Case Management purposes, but have been included only in Surveillance.

PREVENTION & CONTROL	Vaccine	
Transmission occurs through ingestion of feces and urine contaminated food and water, hence good personal hygiene is critical. WHO recommends vaccination to control endemic typhoid fever and for outbreak control. Among the available typhoid vaccines, TCV is preferred at all ages in view of its improved immunological properties, suitability for use in younger children and expected longer duration of protection.		

CASE MANAGEMENT	Treatment	
	Aetiological	
Patients should receive antibiotics. Ciprofloaxine is the first-line choice, however close attention should be given to local antimicrobial resistance.	Ciprofloxacine/ Azithromycin [take local antimicrobial resistance into account]	

Key outbreak control activities considered for material supply

• Aetiological treatment to reduce mortality

Note: Products for Surveillance, Prevention & Control, and Case Management are undergoing rapid and continous development and refinement. For greater clarity, please refer to most recent applicable WHO technical guidance.

INTERVENTION COMMODITY			TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION		
SURVEILLANCE Diagnostics Sample Collection		Triple packaging boxes	Triple packaging boxes for transport	Guidance on regulations for Transport of Infectious Substances 2017 - 2018	
		Tubes, blood collection, EDTA	Vacuum tube used for blood collection with EDTA, sterile, capped with vacuum seal. Material: plastic. 4 ml and 6 ml		
	tion	Tubes, blood collection, serum	Vacuum tube used for serum collection, sterile, capped with vacuum seal. Material: plastic. 4 ml and 6 ml		
	ple Collec	Tubes, blood collection, plain/dry	Vacuum tube used for plain/dry blood collection without anticoagulant, sterile, capped with vacuum seal. Material: plastic. 4 ml and 6 ml		
	Sam	Sharps container boxes	Puncture resistant container for collection and disposing of used, disposable and auto-disable syringes, needles. 5 L capacity accommodating approximately 100 syringes. Boxes prominently marked.	WHO performance specification E10/IC.1 WHO/UNICEF standard E10/IC.2 or equivalent	
		Stool - Swabs	CultureSwab, Cary-Blair Agar, single swab		
		Faeces collection container	125ml with screw cup		
	Diagnostics	Criteria for selection of specific diagnostic tests may include historical efficacy, adherence to any existing Target Product Profiles, ease of use, necessary throughput, distribution and logistics requirements, and manufacturer production capacity. For some pathogens, consideration may need to be given to the presence of mutations in targeted gene sequences or proteins. WHO can advise on the selection of tests on a case by case basis as determined by a specific event.			
PREVENTION & CONTROL	cine	On EML for some high-risk populations in accordance with WHO Vaccine Policy Paper			
& CONTRO Vaccine	Vaco	Typhoid Vaccines: WHO Position Paper - March 2018 [LINK]			
CASE MANAGEMENT	Aetiological Treatment	Ciprofloxacine/ Azithromycin	Pediatric and adult formulation per WHO guidelines. On EML as a WATCH group AB Resistance to Ciprofloxacin widespread. Azithromycin resistance still limited. Cipro not currently listed as first or second choice for typhoid fever. Expert committee expected to consider AB treatment for this indication in 2019.		

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