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| ORT Training - Level 01 (Community ORT Volunteers) |
| Session #04 – Cholera detection & alert |

Timing 🕝 30’

**Objective**

* To be able to identify a possible cholera threat and give the alert
* To understand what may constitute an alert
* To know who to alert

**Material**

* PowerPoint presentation

**Key elements to remember**

> Recognizable symptoms:

* Sudden (often painless) diarrhea
* Diarrhea – rice water appearance
* Often high frequency - 10 or more stools / 24h
* Rapid dehydration (due to abundant loss of water)
* Nausea and vomiting. Occurring especially in the early stages and persisting

> Sudden increase in the number AWD diarrhea cases amongst >2 years old (2 or more cases - a group of AWD cases, with severe dehydration)

> 1 death of AWD in a >5 years old or adult

> or 1 case of AWD testing positive with RDT

> Cholera alert should be given right away to the health facility

> Cholera alert should be given to the Red Cross ORT area supervisor

> In the meantime, possibly start a community investigation to try to identify other similar cases and gather information on source/history of the disease.