



RHC Case Study 2 Group Questions

Communicable Diseases Appear in the Ratta Refugee Camps

Instructions

1. Read the RHC Case Study 2 text file.
2. Upon completion of the case study, fill out the Peer Evaluation Form.
3. Review the questions below, which are organized by topic, and prepare a PowerPoint presentation addressing the following questions and topics.

Group A: An Outbreak of Malaria

What would you do in this situation? Here are some questions to get you thinking:

- Why do you think malaria has become such a problem?
- What immediate and medium term measures can you suggest to control the malaria problem?
- Particularly what other information might you want to have and where could you obtain it?
- Try to give relative estimates of the cost (cheap, moderate, or expensive) to fund these measures?
- What are some of the difficulties/challenges that the strategies you develop pose?

Group B: An Outbreak of Measles

What would you do in this situation? Here are some questions to get you thinking:

- What would be your next step?
- Do you require any further information before taking action?
- Would you commence vaccination at this stage, given you can have a campaign ready to begin in one week at best? If so, who and what ages would you vaccinate?
- What other measures could be taken apart from vaccination?
- If no outbreak occurred, what priority would you give to measles vaccinations?
- What can be done for those children who have already contracted measles?

Group C: An Increase in Suspected Tuberculosis Cases

What would you do in this situation? Here are some questions to get you thinking:

- When is it appropriate to begin tuberculosis treatment for refugees?
- When is treatment inappropriate?
- What would be your assessment of the advisability of treatment in the Ratta camp?
- What number of staff would you need to carry out an effective program?
- Is there anything about the tuberculosis seen among the refugees that would particularly concern you?
- Do you think it would be appropriate to follow the Kovalı national TB guidelines? What might be some alternatives?
- If a TB program were started by URC, when would it be appropriate to discontinue the program?

Group D: Bloody Diarrhea

What would you do in this situation? Here are some questions to get you thinking:

- Why do you think this outbreak is persisting?
- What additional information would be helpful?
- What immediate steps should be put in place from the environmental standpoint?
- What other health activities beside antibiotics should your staff employ in this epidemic?
- How could health services be improved to cope with these numbers? Both in health centers and in community-based activities?
- How can you control the secondary drug market?



- Should you share ciprofloxacin with the Ratta health center?
- What do you do when the ciprofloxacin runs out?