Outbreak Recovery

CHECKLIST

The larger the outbreak and the more lethal the disease, the more profound its impact. Recovery is a lengthy process, with multiple stages over many years. Long-term recovery is best characterized as preparedness through systems strengthening and policy change. This checklist highlights some ethics considerations for the transition from active outbreak containment to robust outbreak recovery.

Directions: Review this checklist as recovery efforts begin.

- Follow the benchmarks for reopening businesses, schools, market places and other public places that were closed during the outbreak.
- Consider community perceptions and impact when planning to dismantle or decommission infrastructure built as part of the response.
- Identify respectful ways to recognize and remember lost loved ones through community outreach and public events.
- Document lessons learned during the outbreak.
- Identify ways to invest in multiple sectors including education, workforce training, economic development, health and social services in the recovery plan.
- Consider broader health systems strengthening initiatives in the recovery plan.