

9 Sanitation

OVERVIEW



Good sanitation is essential for stopping the spread of many epidemics, such as diarrhoea and cholera.

As volunteers, you can encourage the community to improve their sanitation by using latrines, disposing of rubbish and removing standing water.

The most important aspects of preventing disease through sanitation facilities are:

- ➔ Safe excreta disposal (latrine construction)
- ➔ Solid waste collection/disposal
- ➔ Burial of corpses and destruction of animal carcasses
- ➔ Vector control and protection
- ➔ Incineration of medical waste
- ➔ Drainage/wastewater removal
- ➔ Hygiene promotion and education



Talk to your community about proper sanitation practices

Use community message(s): 6, 7, 8

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How to support good sanitation

- ➔ Promote the construction and use of latrines.
- ➔ Encourage the community to burn or bury rubbish.
- ➔ Mobilize the community to reduce standing water where mosquitoes are likely to breed.



Build and properly use latrines



Safely dispose of waste



Community clean-up campaign