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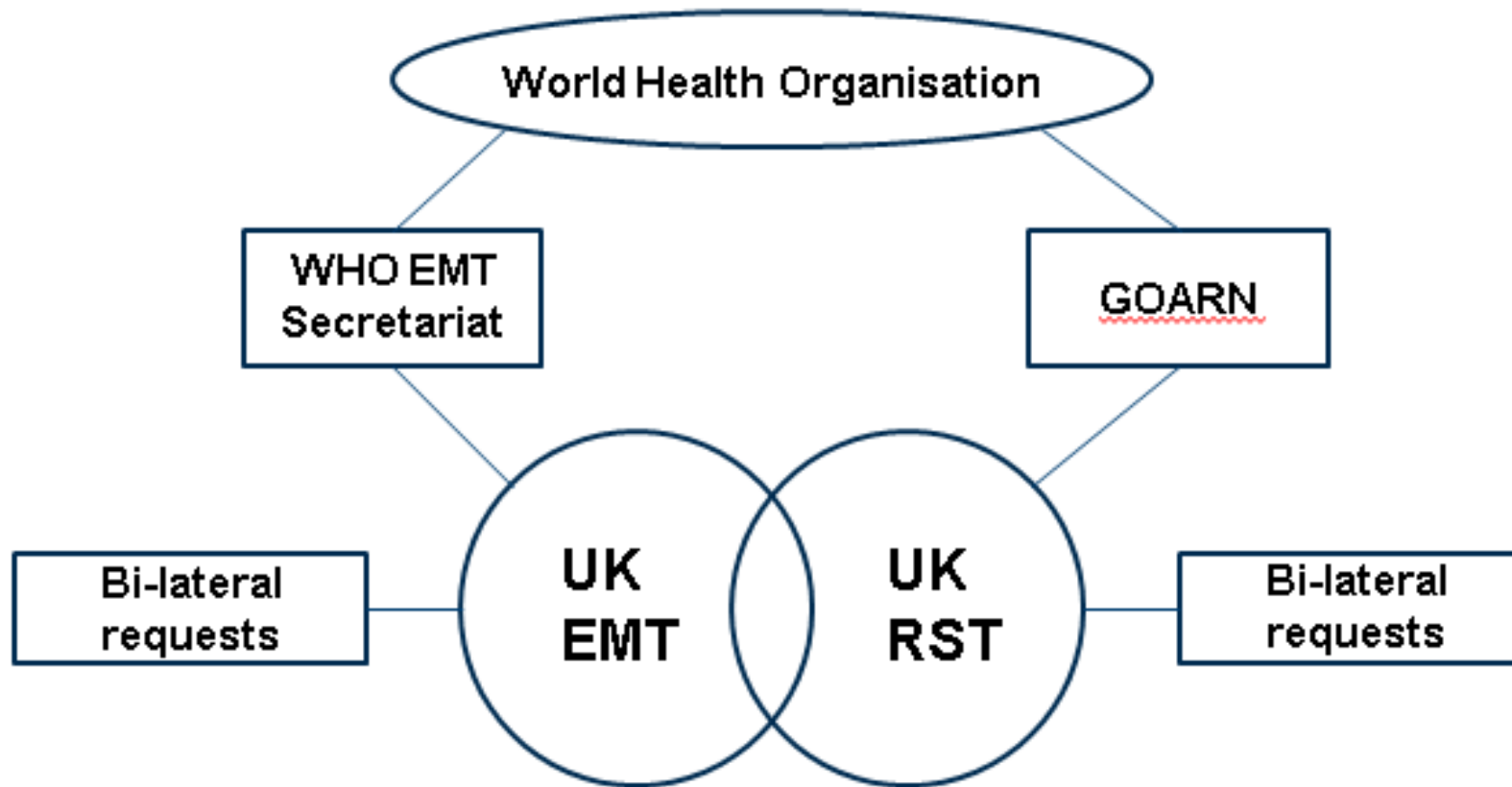
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EMT Deployments

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UK Rapid Response GHS Capability



UK-EMT



- Verified in 2016 by WHO
- National UK Government response team
- Four partners:
 - Palladium
 - UK-Med,
 - Humanity and Inclusion,
 - Fire and Rescue Service
- Other types of verified EMTs include globally :
 - National government
 - NGOs
 - Military



Humanitarian Deployments by UK-Med

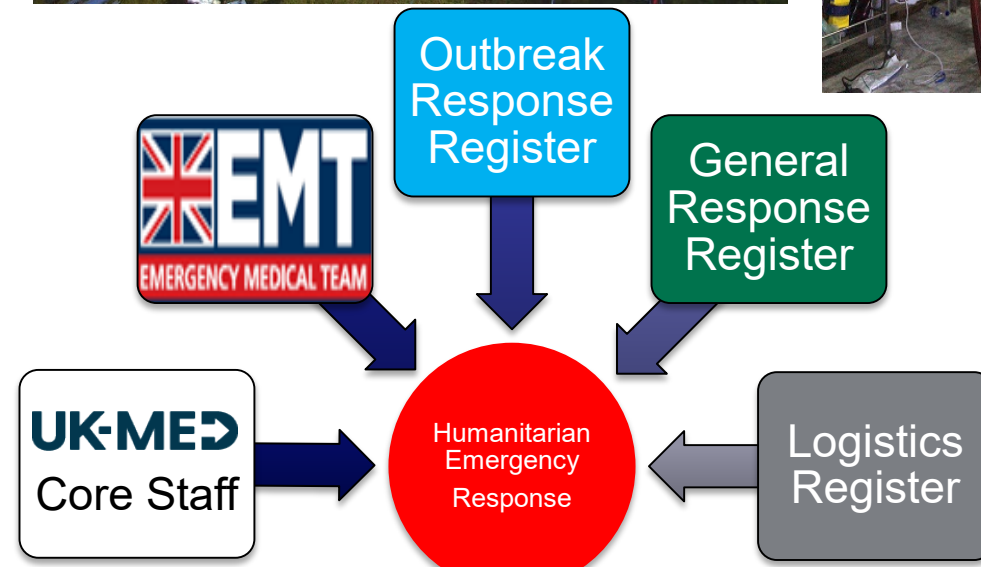
UK-Med deploys individuals and teams:

- As a core partner of the UK EMT and UK Government



- UK-Med response deployment
- Through key partners

UK-MED



Background to Deployment

- Diphtheria outbreak in CXB 2017, existing clinical facilities were converted and scaled up. Led by MSF and IOM. However IOM and other NGOs were unable to manage the complex care needs of these patients and required external support.
- Request for international assistance from WHO on 15 Dec, a DFID, UK-EMT and UK-PHRST team conducted an emergency assessment, = recommended the deployment of the UK-EMT.
- UK-PHRST arrived in country on 24 Dec with advance team.

Role and Activities

- Providing technical support to infrastructure development,- diphtheria treatment centres being built by IOM
- Technical input to procurement and supply with partners e.g. PPE with IOM and WHO
- Representing UK-EMT at EOC meetings
- Developing training content for health workers in UK-EMT and IOM
- Developing SOPs for various specific functions, transfer via ambulance, admission and discharge, controlling entry and exit of family care givers
- Handing over to IPC focal points in first tranche of UK-EMT Deployed Phase

Reflections of Working with EMT

- Almost all clinical staff work in NHS usually, NHS standards well understood but not so familiar with WHO or Sphere guidelines. Logs, WASH and Security staff from FRS have their own organisational culture.
- Many EMT register members have not worked in LMICs before, very motivated, a lot of training done in their own time and this is a major experience for them.
- It can be high profile, expect a lot of media and political interest if the EMT deploys
- Sometimes roles and expectations for UK-PHRST staff working with EMT need clarifying at the start and through the deployment.





