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Since August 2022, Syria has faced an outbreak of Cholera¹. There has been an uprise in confirmed cholera cases, and acute watery diarrhea since August in 14 governorates¹. I believe this is of great importance due to the impact that the 7.8 magnitude earthquake that hit the Syria and Turkey on February 6th, 2023. The earthquake has affected 24 million people and the death toll is currently at approximately 37,000 people².

In order to prevent the continued, spread of the Cholera outbreak a few steps are necessary. The first being the continued dissemination of oral Cholera vaccines to the residents of Syria. It will also be crucial for Syrians to have access to a safe water source for drinking, cooking and cleaning. This can be provided through chlorine treatment, boiling, bleach or by using bottled water. The most feasible way of implementation in Syria to prevent further outbreak would likely be through treatment by chlorine, bleach or using bottle water. Since this is a very recent, and prominent natural disaster that is affecting millions it is likely that some sort of implementation for accessible clean water will occur. The thought of preventing the cholera outbreak continuing to spread may not be on people's minds, but through donation of clean sources of water it will help.

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