



# **Sierra Leone Country Brief**

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# **Country Context**

The National Infection Prevention and Control Action Plan (2016-2019) states its intention to establish a HAI/ AMR surveillance system in all hospitals in collaboration with Lab and Surveillance programmes by the end of January 2019.

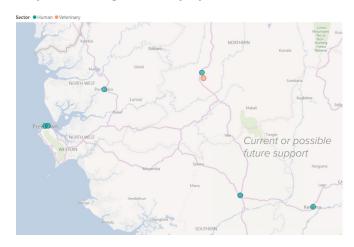
More information about Sierra Leone and its work on AMR can be found on the Fleming Fund website at: <a href="https://www.flemingfund.org/countries/sierra-leone">https://www.flemingfund.org/countries/sierra-leone</a>

### Who We Are

The Fleming Fund is the world's single largest Official Development Assistance (ODA) investment in global AMR surveillance.

It is a £265million UK aid programme supporting up to 24 low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) to generate, share and use antimicrobial resistance (AMR) data.

The Fleming Fund is a UK Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) programme made up of a Country and Regional Grants and Fellowships Programme managed by Mott MacDonald, and a variety of Global Projects, managed directly by DHSC.



## **Our Grants**

# **COUNTRY GRANT**

Country Grantee: WHO Sub-grantees: none Value: £1,500,000

Duration: Oct 2020 - Dec 2021

This grant aims to strengthen the One Health governance structure for AMR and AMU surveillance and strengthen AMR and AMU surveillance in the human health sector.

#### **COUNTRY GRANT 2**

Country Grantee: FAO Sub-grantees: none Value: £ 444,827

Duration: Nov 2020 - Dec 2021

This grant aims to strengthen the One Health governance structure for AMR and AMU surveillance and strengthen the AMR and AMU surveillance system in the animal health sector.

#### **REGIONAL GRANTS**

Gathering Historical AMR Data

Grantee: African Society for Laboratory Medicine Value: £2,937,907 (total across multiple

countries)

Duration: Nov 2018 -Jul 2021

This grant supports the collection and analysis of historical AMR data across key Fleming Fund countries to provide early information for policy making.

External Quality Assurance- Africa

Grantee: African Society for Laboratory Medicine

Value: £4,511,176

Duration: Oct 2019 - Dec 2021

This grant supports the development of external quality assurance practices in laboratories around Asia which ensures confidence in laboratory testing results.

Policy, Practice & Advocacy

Grantee: International Vaccine Institute

Value: £2,715,217 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Sep 2019 - Nov 2021

This grant supports data sharing for global AMR planning and advocacy to provide policy makers with evidence to make robust, data-based policy

recommendations.

Common Surveillance Protocols Grantee: Ending Pandemics

Value: £3,076,279 (total across multiple

countries)

Duration: Sep 2019 - Dec 2021

This grant supports the standardisation of data collection and analysis through common protocols, ensuring data across countries is

comparable.

Microbiology & Epidemiology Training

Grantee: African Society for Laboratory

Medicine

Value: £3,924,547 (total across multiple

countries)

Duration: Oct 2019 – Sep 2021

This grant improves data sharing for global AMR planning and advocacy to provide policy makers the evidence they need to make robust, evidence-based policy

recommendations.

Whole Genome Sequencing

Grantee: Denmark Technical University

Value: £4,435,181

Duration: May 2019 – Sep 2021

This grant improves establishing a regional centre for sequencing that will allow the investigation of outbreaks, unusual resistance phenotypes, or delineation of the flow of

organisms/genes recommendations.

# **JUL 2018**

Fleming Fund scoping

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#### **JAN 2019**

Request for proposal published

#### **OCT 2020**

Country Grant begins

## **NOV 2020**

Country Grant 2 begins

#### **GLOBAL PROJECTS**

Global Research on AMR (GRAM): This grant supports a global exercise studying the burden of AMR, run by University of Oxford.

Value: £6,200,000 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2016 - Jun 2021

OIE Grant: This grant invests in developing One Health guidance on antimicrobial use, supports countries to feed into the global AMU animal database and helps improve awareness and understanding of AMR and alternatives to antimicrobial agents.

Value: £5,000,000 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2016 - Mar 2021

WHO Global Grant: This grant supports countries to develop National Action Plans, training to undertake AMR use and consumptions studies and supports the adoption of the AWaRe framework and essential medicines lists.

Value: £9,900,000 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2016 - Sept 2020

South Centre Grant: This grant builds partnerships with civil society organisations to

raise awareness of AMR.

Value: £1,000,000 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2017 - Mar 2021