

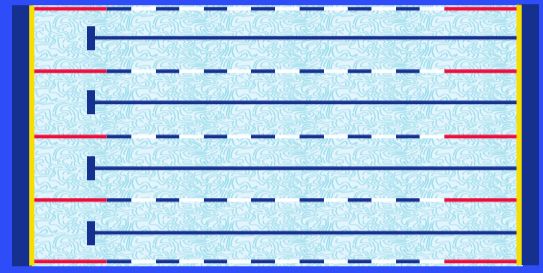
## COVID-19 is causing a devastating oxygen crisis

The Global Fund is supporting low- and middle-income countries in procuring treatments including corticosteroids and medical oxygen.

**Low- and middle- income countries currently need 19.8 million m<sup>3</sup> of medical oxygen per day to treat patients critically ill with COVID-19.\***



**This is equivalent to 7,920 Olympic-size swimming pools!**



**7,920**



**The Global Fund is now the primary channel for providing grant support to low- and middle-income countries for:**



COVID-19 tests



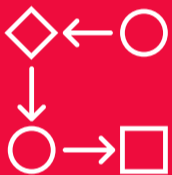
Treatments (including medical oxygen)



Personal protective equipment (PPE)

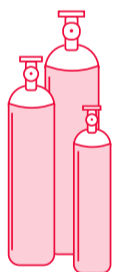


Critical elements of health and community systems strengthening

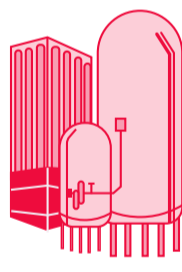


**We are a key partner in the Access to COVID-19 Tools Accelerator's Therapeutics Pillar and the COVID-19 Oxygen Emergency Taskforce.**

**Through our COVID-19 Response Mechanism, the Global Fund is supporting countries in accessing medical oxygen in multiple formats including:**



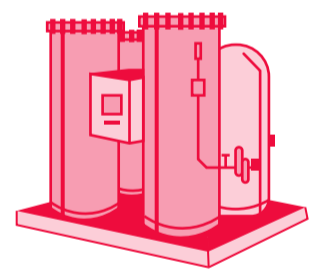
Cylinders



Liquid Oxygen



Concentrators



Pressure Swing Adsorption Oxygen Plants

**and the equipment necessary to provide oxygen therapy to patients.**

**Investing in oxygen now will reduce COVID-19 deaths, save lives beyond the pandemic for other conditions and diseases, and strengthen in-country pandemic preparedness and response.**



**The Global Fund could channel US\$10 billion to fight COVID-19 and mitigate its impact on HIV, TB and malaria.**



**We face an immediate funding gap of US\$6.3 billion for 2021.**

