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## UK partners with Jimmy Carter to eradicate Guinea worm

Britain is partnering with The Carter Center to help make Guinea worm only the second human disease in history to be eradicated, International Development Minister Nick Hurd and former U.S. President Jimmy Carter announced today.

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The funding will pay for health volunteers, water filters and larvicide in the few remaining endemic villages in South Sudan, Ethiopia, Chad and Mali. It will also support surveillance campaigns in 6000 villages across these four remaining endemic countries as well as education campaigns to ensure the disease doesn't resurface.

Guinea worm disease is a parasite caused by drinking infected water. The worm grows inside the body, causing severe

