

PANDEMIC

PUZZLES

“Prescription Strength”

Using standard Pandemic® rules, how can you complete the following scenario?

GOAL: Eradicate Blue and Red by the end of the Field Director's turn.

SET-UP:
Infection Rate: 3
Outbreaks: N/A
Cures Found: None

INFECTED CITIES:
Atlanta: 2 blue cubes
St. Petersburg: 1 blue cube
Shanghai: 1 red cube
Sydney: 1 red cube

STARTING LOCATIONS:
Pharmacist: Atlanta
Field Director: Tokyo
Containment Spec.: Tokyo
Researcher: St. Petersburg




Using Forecast you know these Infection cards will be drawn after the Pharmacist's turn.

It is the Pharmacist's turn...



Enlarged cards for reference.

PHARMACIST



- As an action, reveal a City card to Treat Disease (or Distribute Vaccine) there.
- As an action, remove 1 cube of a cured disease from any city to the supply.

FIELD DIRECTOR



- You may Treat Disease in a city connected to the city you are in.
- Once per turn, you may (with permission) move another player's pawn in your city, or a city connected to it, by Drive/Ferry. Doing this is a free bonus action.

CONTAINMENT SPECIALIST



- When you enter a city with 2 or more disease cubes of the same color, remove 1 of them.

RESEARCHER



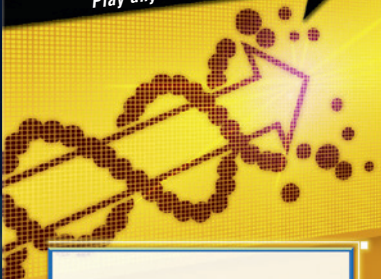
- You may give any 1 of your City cards when you Share Knowledge. It need not match your city. A player who Shares Knowledge with you on their turn can take any 1 of your City cards.

EVENT EMERGENCY CONFERENCE
Play any time. Not an action.




SELECT A PLAYER. EACH OTHER PLAYER'S PAWN MAY MOVE TO THE CITY THAT THIS PLAYER'S PAWN IS IN.

EVENT SEQUENCING BREAKTHROUGH
Play any time. Not an action.



DISCARD 1 FEWER CITY CARD THAN NEEDED TO DO THE NEXT DISCOVER A CURE. PUT THIS CARD NEXT TO THE PLAYER DISCARD PILE. DISCARD IT WHEN THE NEXT CURE IS DISCOVERED.

EVENT BORROWED TIME
Play any time. Not an action.



TAKE 2 EXTRA ACTIONS THIS TURN.

ACTIONS

- DRIVE / FERRY**
Move to a city connected by a white line.
- DIRECT FLIGHT**
Discard a City card to move to the city named on the card.
- CHARTER FLIGHT**
Discard the City card that matches the city you are in to move to any city.
- SHUTTLE FLIGHT**
Move from a city with a research station to any other city that has a research station.

- BUILD A RESEARCH STATION**
Discard the City card that matches the city you are in to place a research station there.
- TREAT DISEASE**
Remove 1 disease cube from the city you are in. If this color is cured, remove all cubes of that color from the city.
- SHARE KNOWLEDGE**
Either: give the card that matches the city you are in to another player, or take that card from another player. The other player must also be in the city with you.
- DISCOVER A CURE**
At any research station, discard 5 City cards of the same disease color to cure that disease.



WARNING!

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SOLUTION TO THE PUZZLE.**

SOLUTION

THE PHARMACIST'S TURN:

- Ask the Field Director to play the Emergency Conference event card. Decide that the Pharmacist will host the conference and move the Researcher to the Pharmacist in Atlanta.
- 1. Share Knowledge with the Researcher and take the St. Petersburg card from the Researcher. The Researcher's ability allows this to happen.
- 2. Using the Pharmacist's ability, reveal the St. Petersburg card to treat disease there, removing one blue cube from St. Petersburg.
- 3. Discard the 5 blue cards in the Pharmacist's hand to discover the blue cure.
- 4. Treat disease in Atlanta to remove the final two blue cubes. Blue is now eradicated.

INFECTION PHASE

- A blue cube is not placed in Washington, because blue is eradicated
- Place 1 yellow cube in Kinshasa
- Place 1 red cube in Shanghai

THE FIELD DIRECTOR'S TURN:

- Using the Field Director's ability, move the Containment Specialist to Shanghai. Due to the Containment Specialist's ability, one red cube is removed from Shanghai.
- 1. Using the Field Director's ability, treat disease in Shanghai. This removes the final cube from Shanghai.
- 2. Drive/Ferry to Shanghai
- 3. Share Knowledge with the Containment Specialist to take the Shanghai card.
- 4. Use the Charter Flight action to fly to Jakarta by discarding the Shanghai card.
- Ask the Containment Specialist to play the Borrowed Time event card. *
- Ask the Pharmacist to play the Sequencing Breakthrough event card. *
- 5. At the research station in Jakarta, discard 4 red cards* * to discover the cure for red.
- 6. Using the Field Director's ability, treat disease in Sydney, removing the final red cube. Red is now eradicated.

* these event cards can be played at any time during the Field Director's turn.

** only 4 cards are needed due to Sequencing Breakthrough being played during this turn.