

Date of report: 07/25/2014 (Friday) for cases presenting on: 07/24/2014 (Thursday)

Summary

Key findings

- All 11 (100%) sites reported on Thursday, July 24.
- 4 (36.4%) of the 11 sentinel sites reported syndrome cases.
- 13 (3.8%) of the total 345 encounters were reported as syndrome cases.
- 3 (37.5%) of the 8 syndromes were reported.
- 2 (25.0%) of the 8 syndromes reached their threshold:
 - 4 cases of watery diarrhea (median age: 36.5 y; range 12–53 y; 50% females). All cases were residents of Pohnpei state.
 - 7 cases of influenza like illness (median age: 2 y; range 1–52 y; 57% males). All cases were residents of Pohnpei state.
- No additional unusual occurrence reported from the sentinel sites.

Conclusion and recommendations

- Watery diarrhea and influenza like illness have reached their daily thresholds and are currently being investigated.

Current outbreaks or public health incidents of importance to the games that are occurring in the region and globally

- There are currently measles outbreaks in Kosrae and Pohnpei States, FSM. Please refer to PacNet posting on 25 July 2014 for an update of the outbreak in Pohnpei.
- Guam - a laboratory confirmed case of measles has been detected in a 10-month old child, who has been epidemiologically linked to visitors from Pohnpei, FSM. The case has no travel history.
- Nauru - dengue serotype-3 has been confirmed (RT-PCR) in 11 out of 26 samples sent to Institut Louis Malarde, French Polynesia. The dengue negative samples tested negative for zika virus and chikungunya. There were no new cases reported in Epi week 29.

Coverage: 11 points of care are included in the enhanced syndromic surveillance system. For the date indicated above, 11 points of care submitted reports.

Overview analysis

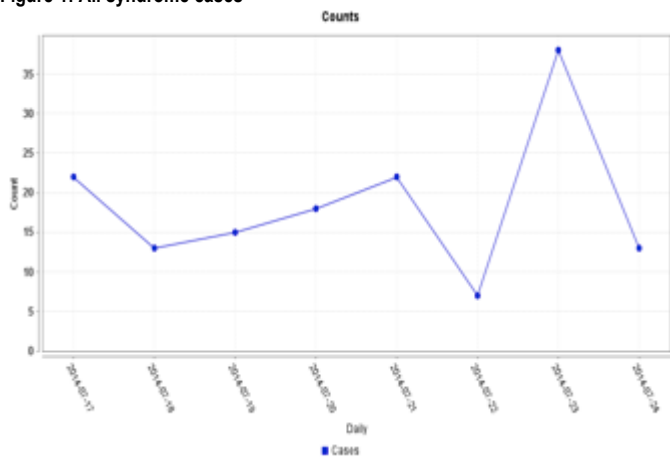
Number of cases observed for the date above										
Point of care	Number Encounter cases*	Number Syndrome cases#	Acute fever and rash	Watery diarrhea	Non-watery diarrhea	Influenza-like illness	Prolonged fever	Fever and jaundice	Heat related illness	Food-borne disease syndrome
Berysin CHC	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COM Dispensary	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Genesis Hospital	69	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Lukop Dispensary	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medpharm HC	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PICS High School	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pohnlangas Dispensary	42	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pohnpei CHC	58	7	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0
Pohnpei State Hospital	135	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sokeh's Dispensary	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wone Dispensary	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	345	13	0	4	2	7	0	0	0	0
DAILY STATE THRESHOLD	N/a	N/a	1	1	3	4	1	1	2	2
Legend/key:	A cell shaded in red indicates an increase compared to the previous day's report					A cell shaded in green indicates a decrease compared to the previous day's report				
Interpretation:	Reports were collected from all 11 sites. 7 of the 11 (63.6%) reporting sites did not report any syndromes. Watery diarrhea and influenza like illness syndromes have reached their daily state-wide thresholds.									

*Encounter cases represent all acute care cases visiting a clinic regardless of whether they have one or more of the eight syndromes e.g., a sprained ankle would be included in the 'encounter case' count

#Syndrome cases represent all acute care cases visiting a clinic who have one or more of the eight syndromes e.g., a sprained ankle would NOT be included in the 'syndrome case' count

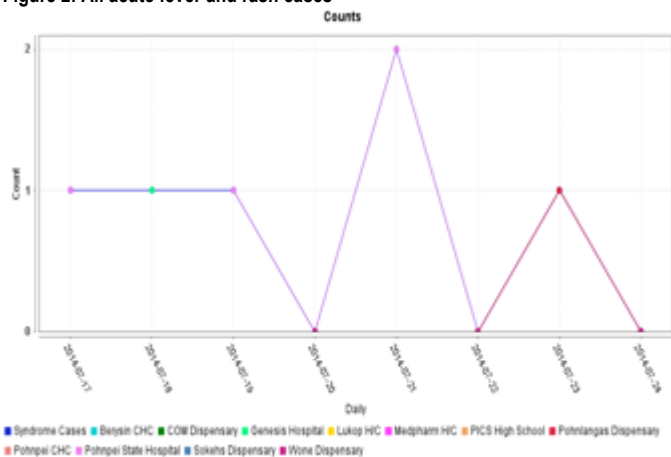
EpiCurves of the number of cases by visit date

Figure 1: All syndrome cases



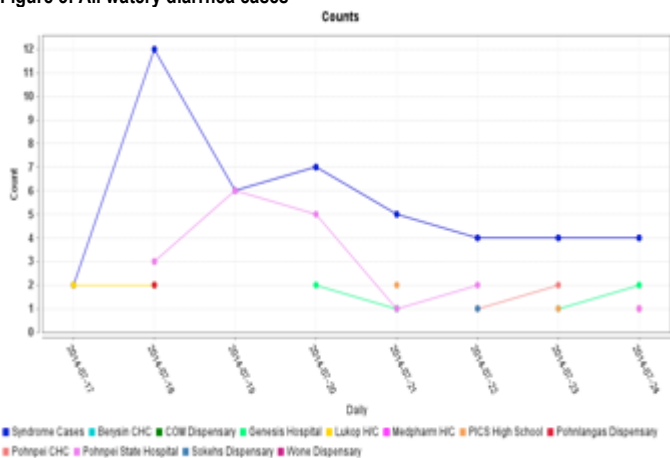
Interpretation: A decrease from previous day

Figure 2: All acute fever and rash cases



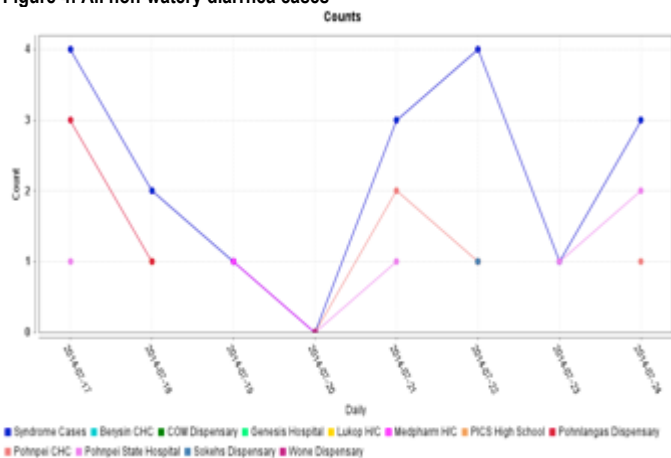
Interpretation: A decrease from previous day. Graph shows variation from 0 to 2 cases per day over past week.

Figure 3: All watery diarrhea cases



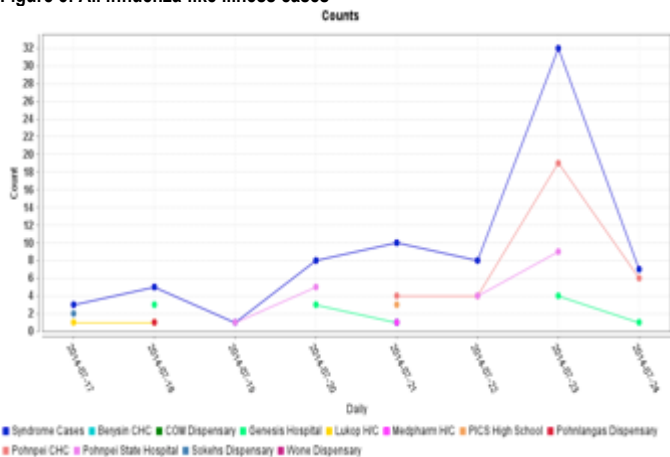
Interpretation: Stable from previous day. Graph shows variation from 1 to 12 cases per day over past week. Total number of cases has been 4/day for past 3 reporting days. An increase at Genesis Hospital from 1 to 2 cases in past day.

Figure 4: All non-watery diarrhea cases



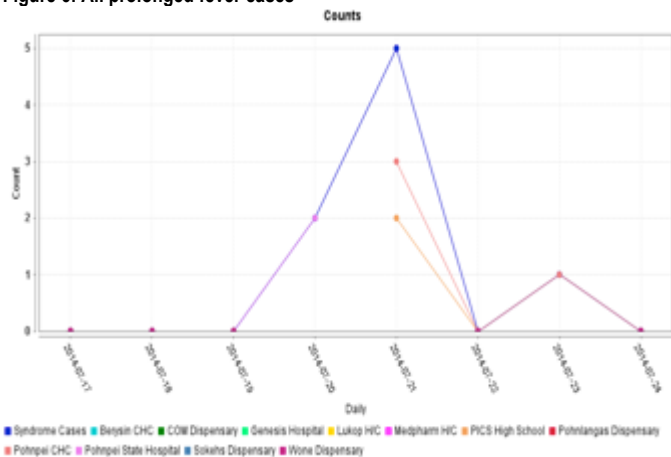
Interpretation: An increase from 1 to 3 cases since previous day (with an increase from 1 to 2 cases at Pohnpei State Hospital since previous day). Graph shows variation from 0 to 4 cases per day over past week.

Figure 5: All influenza-like illness cases



Interpretation: A decrease from 32 cases to 7 cases since previous day (with a decrease from 19 to 6 cases at Pohnpei CHC since previous day). Graph shows variation from 1 to 32 cases per day over past week. Peak at 32 on previous day.

Figure 6: All prolonged fever cases



Interpretation: A decrease from 1 to 0 cases since previous day. Graph shows variation from 0 to 5 cases per day over past week. Peak at 5 on July 21.

Detailed analysis for ongoing investigations - for any syndrome where the set state daily threshold is reached (or was reached in previous days) and, following confirmation of cases, it was decided to undertake an investigation

Syndrome	Acute fever and rash
Point of care (number of cases since July 22)	Pohnpei State Hospital (2 cases) and Pohnlangas Dispensary (1 case)
Dates of investigation	July 23 - ongoing
Description of investigation undertaken	2 cases of acute fever and rash reported at Pohnpei State Hospital were investigated by the public health team. Case report form with information on demographics, clinical symptoms, exposure history, and measles (MMR or MR) vaccination was ascertained along with specimen from one case. All cases are entered in the measles outbreak line list to link cases and monitor the status of the current outbreak.
Findings of investigation:	
• <i>Number of cases</i>	3
• <i>Diagnostic methods, number of samples collected, number of samples tested, laboratory involved</i>	A blood specimen was collected from one case at the Division of Public Health for measles confirmation.
• <i>Prevailing epidemiological pattern: endemic or epidemic, recent epidemiological history</i>	There are currently measles outbreaks in Kosrae and Pohnpei States, FSM. Please refer to PacNet posting on 25 July 2014 for an update of the outbreak in Pohnpei state.
Measures taken or considered:	
• <i>Public health measures (e.g. immunisation strategy, patient and contact management, vector control, water and food safety)</i>	Please refer to PacNet posting on 25 July 2014 for an update of the Pohnpei situation.

Syndrome	Watery diarrhea
Point of care (number of cases since July 17)	Pohnpei State Hospital (18 cases), Genesis Hospital (8 cases), Pohnpei CHC (6 cases), PICS high school (3 cases), Lukop dispensary (2 cases), COM dispensary (1 case), Pohnlangas Dispensary (1 case)
Dates of investigation	July 18 - ongoing
Description of investigation undertaken	At the Pohnpei State Hospital laboratory, an algorithm for testing stool specimens is operational. All stool specimens are being tested to rule out possible enteropathogens such as <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> , <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> , and <i>Shigella dysenteriae</i> . Also, tests for <i>Giardia lamblia</i> and <i>Entamoeba histolytica</i> are performed. Furthermore, rapid testing for rotavirus, adenovirus, and norovirus is ongoing.
Findings of investigation:	
• <i>Number of cases</i>	39 (4 cases on July 24)
• <i>Diagnostic methods, number of samples collected, number of samples tested, laboratory involved</i>	As above
• <i>Time/Place/Person/clinical features</i>	The median age of the 4 cases of watery diarrhea on July 24 was 36.5 years (range 12–53 years). Half (50%) of the cases were females, and all (100%) the cases were residents of Pohnpei.
Measures taken or considered:	
• <i>Public health measures (e.g. immunisation strategy, patient and contact management, vector control, water and food safety)</i>	A public health advisory on watery diarrhea was created and translated into the local language for dissemination through radio. In addition, awareness on good hygiene techniques, including hand washing, is ongoing through posters and flyers. An incident command system (ICS) is set-up to plan, prepare, and respond to any incidents. The incident command, section and unit chiefs meet daily to discuss progress and address any issues. The Pohnpei EPA is continuing daily environmental assessment, spot inspections, and is working closely with the Public Health Surveillance and Response Committee and the Organising Committee for any remedial action.

Syndrome	Influenza like illness
Point of care (number of cases since July 17)	Pohnpei CHC (33 cases), Pohnpei State Hospital (19 cases), Genesis Hospital (12 cases), Pohnlangas dispensary (2 cases), Sokehs dispensary (2 cases), Lukop dispensary (1 case), Medpharm HC (1 case)
Dates of investigation	July 24 - ongoing
Description of investigation undertaken	Case investigation forms for ILI were completed for 12 individuals. 8 of the 12 individuals met the case definition of ILI. Of the 8 cases, 8 (100%) had fever, 7

	(87.5%) had cough, 4 (50%) had coryza, and 3 (37.5%) had sore throat. 5 (62.5%) out of the 8 cases were females.
Findings of investigation:	
• Number of cases	71 (7 cases on July 24)
• Diagnostic methods, number of samples collected, number of samples tested, laboratory involved	12 specimens (nasopharyngeal and oral swabs) from individuals who met the ILI case definition (fever and sore throat or cough) were collected for influenza testing. For PCR testing, the specimens will be shipped to the reference laboratory at the Hawaii State Public Health on Monday, July 28. The rapid diagnostic test for influenza is now available for testing of swabs.
• Time/Place/Person/clinical features	The median age of 7 cases of influenza like illness on July 24 was 2 years (range 1–52 years). 57% of the cases were males. All cases were residents of Pohnpei state.
Measures taken or considered:	
• Public health measures (e.g. immunisation strategy, patient and contact management, vector control, water and food safety)	Awareness on good hygiene techniques, including hand washing and cough etiquette, is ongoing through posters and flyers.

Syndrome	Prolonged Fever
Point of care (number of cases since July 20)	Pohnpei CHC (4 cases), Pohnpei State Hospital (2 cases), Pohnlangas dispensary (1 case)**
Dates of investigation	July 24 – ongoing
Description of investigation undertaken	A case report form to investigate dengue fever (and other arboviral infections) has been created for investigation of prolonged fever cases. ** This case was misreported upon further investigation.
Findings of investigation:	
• Number of cases	6
• Diagnostic methods, number of samples collected, number of samples tested, laboratory involved	2 prolonged fever cases reported from Pohnpei CHC were treated for pneumonia-like illness.
Measures taken or considered:	
• Public health measures (e.g. immunisation strategy, patient and contact management, vector control, water and food safety)	A public health advisory on dengue fever and leptospirosis was created and made available through posters and flyers. Travel advisory and prevention messages for dengue fever and leptospirosis are displayed on a monitor at the port of entry at the Pohnpei International Airport.

Note, the archive of daily reports can be found at: http://www.spc.int/phs/PPHSN/Surveillance/Mass_gathering.htm