

Daily Report

Enhanced syndromic surveillance system
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Date of report: 07/26/2014 (Saturday) for cases presenting on: 07/25/2014 (Friday)

Summary

Key findings

- 6 (54.5%) sites reported on Friday, July 25. Surveillance forms from 5 sentinel sites could not be collected due to weekend closure.
- Of the 6 reporting sentinel sites, all (100%) 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.
- 3 (37.5%) of the 8 syndromes reached their threshold:
 - 28 cases of influenza like illness (median age: 6.5 y; range 2mo–64 y; 68% males). 27 (96.4%) of cases were residents of Pohnpei state.
 - 5 cases of non-watery diarrhea (median age: 23 y; range 6–26 y; 60% males). All cases were residents of Pohnpei state, with 2 cases currently working as volunteers.
 - 1 case of watery diarrhea was in a 20 year old male from one of the FSM states.
- No additional unusual occurrence reported from the sentinel sites.

Conclusion and recommendations

 Watery diarrhea, non-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.

<u>Coverage</u>: 11 points of care are included in the enhanced syndromic surveillance system. For the date indicated above, <u>6</u> points of care submitted reports.

Overview analysis

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
5	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
61	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
15	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
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91	18	0	0	2	16	0	0	0	0
29	9	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0
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^{*}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



Figure 1: All encounter cases

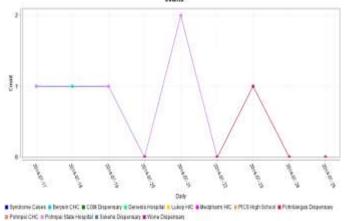
Interpretation: A decrease from previous day.

Figure 2: All syndrome cases

Counts

Interpretation: An increase from previous day driven largely by influenza-like illness cases reporting to Pohnpei CHC and Pohnpei State Hospital.

Figure 3: All acute fever and rash cases



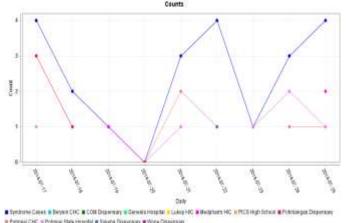
Interpretation: No cases for the current day. Graph shows variation from 0 to 2 cases per day over past week.

Figure 4: All watery diarrhea cases
Counts

Interpretation: A decrease from previous day. Graph shows variation from 1 to 12 cases per day over past week.

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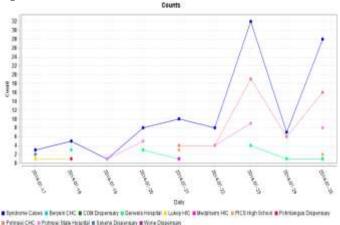
Figure 5: All non-watery diarrhea cases



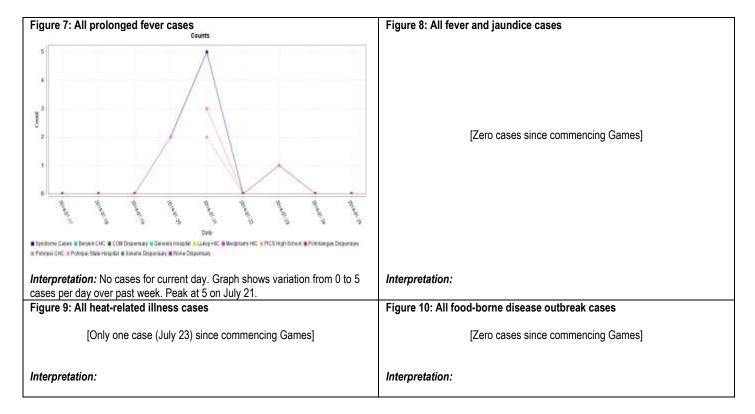
Interpretation: An increase from 3 to 4 cases since previous day. Graph shows variation from 0 to 4 cases per day over past week.

Figure 6: All influenza-like illness cases

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Interpretation: An increase from 7 cases to 28 cases since previous day mainly reported to Pohnpei CHC (16 cases) and Pohnpei State Hospital (8 cases). Graph shows variation from 1 to 32 cases per day over past week. Peaks at 32 cases on July 23, and again on July 25 (28 cases).



<u>Detailed analysis for ongoing investigations</u> - 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:	
Number of cases	3
Diagnostic methods, number of samples collected, number of samples tested, laboratory involved	A blood specimen was collected from one case at the Division of Public Health for measles confirmation.
Prevailing epidemiological pattern: endemic or epidemic, recent epidemiological history	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:	
Public health measures (e.g. immunisation strategy, patient and contact management, vector control, water and food safety)	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 (4 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 dysentriae</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:	

Number of cases	40 (1 case on July 25)
Diagnostic methods, number of samples collected, number of samples tested, laboratory involved	As above
Time/Place/Person/clinical features	1 case of watery diarrhea was in a 20 year old male from one of the FSM states.
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 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 (49 cases), Pohnpei State Hospital (27 cases), Genesis Hospital (13 cases), Pohnlangas dispensary (2 cases), Sokehs dispensary (2 cases), PICS High School (2 cases), Lukop dispensary (1 case), Medpharm HC (1 case), Berysin CHC (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 	99 (28 cases on July 25)
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 ?in Pohnpei for testing of swabs.
Time/Place/Person/clinical features	Median age of the 28 cases of influenza like illness on July 25 was 6.5 years (range 2 months-64 years). 68% of the cases were males. 96% of the 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.

Syndrome	Non-watery diarrhea
Point of care (number of cases since July 20)	Pohnpei CHC (5 cases), Pohnpei State Hospital (5 cases), Lukop Dispensary (1 case), Pohnlangas dispensary (5 cases), Medpharm (2 cases), and Sokehs Dispensary (2 cases)
Dates of investigation	July 24 – ongoing
Description of investigation undertaken	Case investigation form for shigella and salmonella with food recall history are used to investigate non-watery diarrhea cases.
Findings of investigation:	
Number of cases	23
Time/Place/Person/clinical features	The median age of the 5 cases of non-watery diarrhea on July 25 was 23 years (range 6–26 years). 60% of the cases were males, and all (100%) the cases were currently residents in Pohnpei state.
Diagnostic methods, number of samples collected, number of samples tested, laboratory involved	Stool specimens are collected and tested for <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> , <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> , <i>Shigella dysentriae</i> , <i>Giardia lamblia</i> , <i>Entamoeba histolytica</i> , rotavirus, adenovirus, and norovirus are ongoing using an algorithm.
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 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.

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