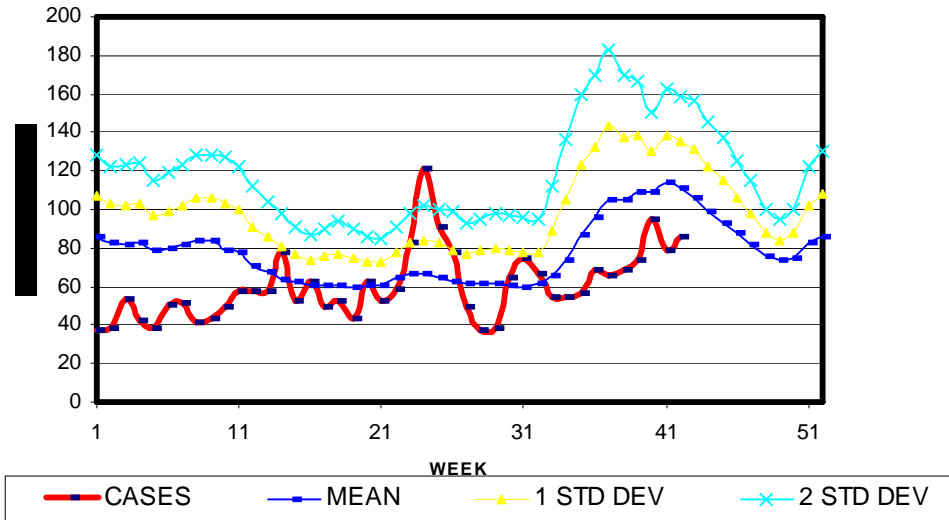


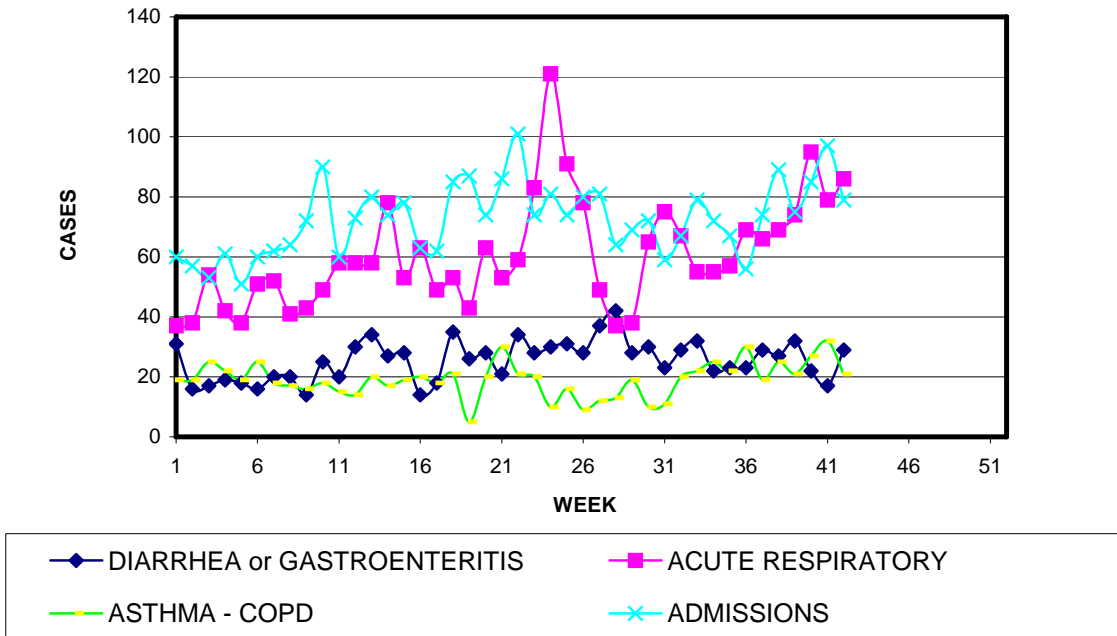
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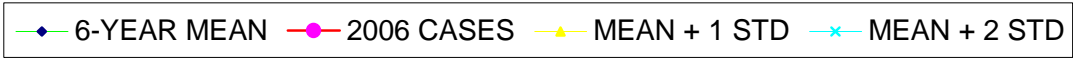
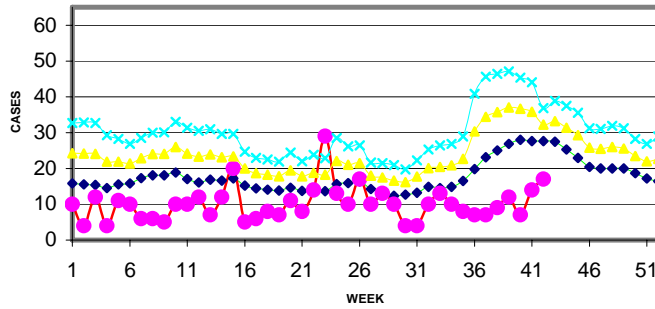
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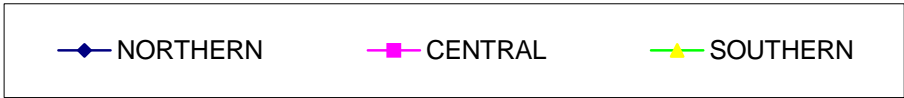
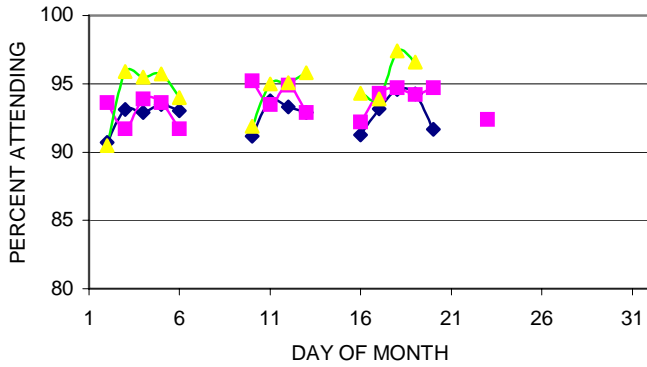
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 BY WEEK DISCHARGED, 2006**



**GUAM PUBLIC SCHOOL ATTENDANCE BY REGION:
 DAILY PERCENT ATTENDING , OCTOBER 2006**



GUAM COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORT

REPORTS RECEIVED DURING THE WEEK ENDING 10/21/2006

DISEASE	CASES
C. DIFFICILE	1
CHICKENPOX	6
CHLAMYDIA	73
CONJUNCTIVITIS	5
GONORRHEA	5
HAND, FOOT & MOUTH	1
HPV	4
MRSA	2
SALMONELLOSIS	1
SHIGELLOSIS	1
STREP SORE THROAT	3
STREP DISEASE, INVASIVE	1
SYPHILIS	1
TRICHOMONAS	10

CLOSTRIDIUM DIFFICILE, *errata*

In the report on this subject last week, the final paragraph should read as follows:

“ In 2005 13 *C. difficile* infections were reported on Guam; 6 were in patients age 65 or older. Through the month of September, 30 of these infections had been reported for 2006, 17 of which were in patients age 65 or older. Of the 17, 6 were judged to be community-acquired, 6 were hospital-acquired, and 5 were of undetermined origin. Some of the increase observed may be due to increased awareness of the problem on the part of local physicians.”

GUAM PERTUSSIS UPDATE

One additional case of suspect pertussis was reported to Public Health on 24 October; evaluation of this case is pending.