



Enhanced Surveillance Pacific Mini Games, Palau 2025



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Surveillance activity from : 3:00PM 7/04/25 - 3:00PM 7/05/25

Report Date: 07/06/2025

Situation Report: 08

Summary:

- This report provides a consolidated account of public health activities and findings for the first 5 days of enhanced surveillance activities, with particular emphasis on syndrome surveillance outcomes (N=38), injury monitoring (N=234), environmental assessments (N=286), and site-level interventions.
- Data from routine and event-based reporting systems informed targeted actions, including case investigations, sanitation reviews, and risk communication actions.
- A confirmed dengue case prompted immediate field response and environmental inspections. No new cases of dengue have been identified.
- Sporadic cases of gastrointestinal and influenza-like illnesses were managed through reinforced health promotion, food safety reviews, and case management where appropriate.
- Strong coordination across health practitioners, technical teams, and field responders enabled timely responses and helped to contain public health threats.

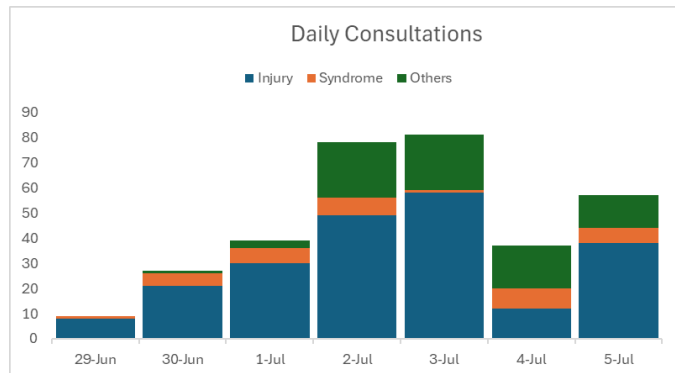
PIO Rapid Assessment & Health Messaging Update

- The MHHS-EOC Public Information Office (PIO) team continues to conduct the Risk Communication Rapid Assessment across Pacific Mini Games venues and athlete accommodations. To expand reach, a QR code linking to the survey was developed and disseminated at key locations and posted on the MHHS Facebook page.
- The dengue fever public service announcement was adapted into English and French flyers and distributed throughout athlete accommodations to reinforce prevention messaging.

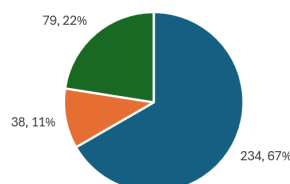
Consultations:

- A total of 351 consultations have been recorded since enhanced surveillance started on 6/26.
- During this reporting period there were 57 consultations at sentinel sites:
 - 38 (67%) injuries
 - 6 (10%) syndromes
 - 13 (23%) other medical consultations, majority of which involved routine but essential support services such as athletic taping, wound care and minor clinical interventions

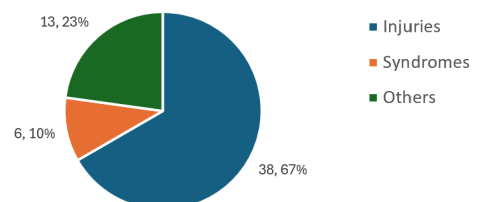
Encounters / Consultations



Cumulative



For the Day





Injuries:

- A total of 38 injuries have been recorded across competition and training venues.
- 36 cases were directly associated with Games competition activities, underscoring the physical demands placed on athletes during peak performance periods.
- The most frequently reported injury types were: joint sprains – 20 cases (38%) and muscle sprains – 8 cases (27%).
- These injuries are majority consistent with high-intensity sports engagement.
- The gender distribution was 16 males and 23 females ranging from 13 - 48 years old.

Injury Type (Bars show daily trends)	Cumulative Total		Daily Count
	Number	Percent	
Abrasion / graze	22	9%	1
Blisters	1	0%	1
Bruise / contusion	13	6%	2
Concussion	3	1%	1
Dislocation	3	1%	1
Subluxation	0	0%	0
Fracture	2	1%	0
Inflammation / swelling	10	4%	0
Loss of consciousness	1	0%	0
Open wound / laceration / cut	13	6%	4
Other	16	7%	0
Sprain	64	27%	8
Strain	85	36%	20
Unspecified medical condition	1	0%	0
TOTAL	234	100%	38

Syndromes:

- Today, 6 syndromic cases were reported across sentinel sites.
- Since the start of enhanced surveillance on 26 June, a cumulative total of 38 syndromic cases have been detected.
- 53% were classified as influenza-like illness (ILI), followed by acute gastroenteritis (AGE) comprising 24% of cases.
- The gender distribution was 3 males and 3 females ranging from 0 - 40 years old.

Syndrome Type (Bars show daily trends)	Cumulative Total		Daily Count
	Number	Percent	
Acute Fever and Neurological Symptoms (AFN)	0	0%	0
Acute Fever and Rash (AFR)	0	0%	0
Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP)	0	0%	0
Acute Gastroenteritis (AGE)	9	24%	1
Alcohol and drug / toxin related illness	0	0%	0
Dengue-like Illness (DLI)	1	3%	0
Diarrhoea (bloody)	0	0%	0
Diarrhoea (watery)	0	0%	0
General rash	1	3%	0
Heat-related illness	3	8%	0
Influenza-like Illness (ILI)	20	53%	5
Neonatal tetanus	0	0%	0
Other or unusual health event	4	11%	0
Prolonged cough	0	0%	0
Prolonged fever	0	0%	0
Severe acute respiratory illness (SARI)	0	0%	0
TOTAL	38	100%	6



Environmental Health:

- 286 inspections have been conducted, 91 of them today, across priority sites including athletes' accommodations, competition venues, food booths, kitchen and dining areas, as well as designated sites for vector surveillance.
- Each inspection is guided by a comprehensive quality index, tailored to the specific operational context of each site. The depth and specificity of these standards reflect the host country's commitment to health security and operational excellence.
- All inspected sites met the standard environmental quality benchmarks, with one accommodation requiring improvement on waste management and food booth inspections highlighting the importance of proper labeling practices and required permits and certificates.

Site Category	Number of inspections done (Cumulative)	Number of inspections done (for the day)	Quality Index (Past 24 hours)
Athletes' accommodation	65	9	99%
Food booth	132	60	98%
Games venue	17	4	100%
Kitchen	14	3	100%
Vector control: Games venues	45	4	100%
Vector control: Athletes' accommodation	13	11	98%

Quality Markers		Improving	No change	Deteriorating
Poor	Good	▲	▬	▼

Public Health Measures:



- Ongoing enhanced surveillance, including event-based surveillance for social listening and tracking of unusual events.
- Intensified RCCE activities including wide dissemination of materials about hand hygiene, respiratory etiquette, and dengue prevention to all games, venue, and athlete accommodations.
- No new case of dengue were reported.
- Mosquito repellent made available at medical stations across all Games' venues.
- Environmental health assessments and interventions are underway at Games' venues, accommodations and food vendors to ensure adherence to standards.

Social Listening

- Ongoing social listening surveillance is used to identify "signals", or potential concerns related to health misinformation, emerging public fears, or behavioral trends that could impact community well-being.
- 2 signals were captured by the event-based surveillance system, assessed and closed as no further action was required.

Recommendations:

- Continue to promote community-based dengue prevention measures and increase clinical vigilance for dengue-like illness.
- Facilitate the allocation of mosquito repellents to athletes' villages.
- Ensure that mechanisms are in place for prompt investigation and management of public health threats.
- Address waste management concerns to improve environmental conditions across Games venues, athletes' villages, and communal areas. Ensure timely removal of waste to avoid accumulation.
- Ensure water and food safety compliance.