MEASLES OUTBREAK SITUATION REPORT: No. 14
OUTBREAK START DATE: DECEMBER 13, 2021

REPORTING PERIOD: July 11-20, 2022
REPORTING DATE: JULY 28, 2022

## HIGHLIGHTS

## Situation Updates as of July 11-20, 2022

- Two hundred thirty-nine (239) new cases reported from fourteen (14) counties
- Two new deaths reported from Montserrado and Rivercess counties
- CFR: $1.3 \%(71 / 5,528)$


## Situation Context

Since the outbreak started on $13^{\text {th }}$ December 2021, there has been:

- A total of $\mathbf{5 , 9 2 3}$ suspected cases reported from 61 health districts in 15 counties
- Montserrado County accounts for $55 \%(3,265 / 5,923)$ of all suspected cases reported
- Of the 5,923 suspected cases recorded, 5,528 were confirmed in the following categories:
- Laboratory confirmed - $6.7 \%(369 / 5,528)$
- Clinically confirmed $-9.1 \%(503 / 5,528)$
- Epi linked - $84 \%(4,657 / 5,528)$
- Vaccination status among confirmed cases:
- Vaccinated - $44.8 \%(2,474 / 5,528)$
- Not vaccinated $-44.1 \%(2,439 / 5,528)$
- Unknown - $9.6 \%(531 / 5,528)$
- Not applicable*- $1.5 \%(85 / 5,528)$
- Median age 6 (range: 1 month - 67 years)
- A total of seven-one (71) deaths have been recorded (Montserrado-59, Bomi-4, Grand Cape Mount-3, Bong-2, Nimba-1, Grand Bassa-1, and Rivercess-1).

[^0]Table 1: Confirmed Measles Cases by District \& County, Liberia, $13^{\text {th }}$ December 2021-20th July 2022

| County | District | Cases | Deaths |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Bushrod | 1,306 | 15 |
|  | Commonwealth | 646 | 11 |
|  | Somalia Drive | 657 | 28 |
|  | Central Monrovia | 355 | 1 |
|  | St. Paul | 149 | 2 |
|  | Careysburg | 80 | 0 |
|  | Todee | 144 | 2 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { ס } \\ & \text { © } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Zota | 41 | 2 |
|  | Panta | 27 | 0 |
|  | Salala | 70 | 0 |
|  | Suakoko | 75 | 0 |
|  | Jorquelleh | 15 | 0 |
|  | Firestone | 15 | 0 |
|  | Kakata | 167 | 0 |
|  | Mamba Kaba | 93 | 0 |
|  | Gibi | 81 | 0 |
|  | Saclepea-Mah | 102 | 0 |
|  | Sanniquellie-Mah | 194 | 0 |
|  | Gbehlay Geh | 55 | 0 |
|  | Yarwin Mehnsonnoh | 58 | 1 |
|  | Zoe-Geh | 137 | 0 |
|  | Tappita | 33 | 0 |
|  | Harper | 86 | 0 |
|  | Pleebo | 53 | 0 |
| 뚜 | Voinjama | 85 | 0 |
|  | Salayea | 33 | 0 |
|  | Zorzor | 17 | 0 |
|  | Foya | 13 | 0 |
|  | Gola Konneh | 35 | 2 |
|  | Tewor | 6 | 0 |
|  | Garwula | 14 | 1 |
|  | Commonwealth C | 7 | 0 |
| ¢ OE.- | Klay | 19 | 1 |
|  | Dowein | 11 | 0 |


|  | Senjeh | 23 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Suehn Mecca | 6 | 0 |
|  | District \#2 | 9 | 0 |
|  | District \#1 | 72 | 1 |
|  | District \# 3 A\&B | 93 | 0 |
|  | Buchanan | 173 | 0 |
|  | Owensgrove | 26 | 0 |
|  | District \#4 | 27 | 0 |
|  | District \#3 C | 3 | 0 |
|  | Trehn | 13 | 0 |
|  | Barclayville | 5 | 0 |
|  | Chedepo | 3 | 0 |
|  | Potupo | 5 | 0 |
|  | Jo-River | 5 | 0 |
|  | Timbo | 7 | 0 |
|  | Central C | 16 | 1 |
|  | Belle | 7 | 0 |
|  | Gbarma | 6 | 0 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { © } \\ & \text { 를 } \end{aligned}$ | Gblonee | 45 | 0 |
|  | Jedepo | 19 | 0 |
|  | Dugbeh River | 10 | 0 |
|  | Kpanyan | 8 | 0 |
|  | Tchien | 34 | 0 |
|  | Konobo | 8 | 0 |
|  | Gbao | 6 | 0 |
|  | Putu | 11 | 0 |
|  | Bhai | 9 | 0 |
| Total | 62 | 5,528 | 71 |

Table 2: Measles Cases by County \& Epi classification, Liberia, 13 December, 2021-20th July 2022

| County | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Reporting } \\ & \text { week } \\ & \text { (July 11-20, } \\ & \text { 2022) } \end{aligned}$ | Cumulative (Week 50, 2021 Week 25, 2022) | Death | CFR <br> (\%) | Negative | Lab | Epi- linked | Clinically compatible | Outbreak status |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montserrado | 135 | 3,265 | 59 | 1.8 | 75 | 139 | 2,848 | 144 | Ongoing |
| Nimba | 24 | 608 | 1 | 0.2 | 29 | 34 | 506 | 38 | Ongoing |
| Margibi | 24 | 495 | 0 | 0.0 | 28 | 33 | 421 | 13 | Ongoing |
| Grand Bassa | 27 | 433 | 1 | 0.2 | 30 | 21 | 284 | 97 | Ongoing |
| Lofa | 2 | 204 | 0 | 0.0 | 57 | 25 | 85 | 37 | Ongoing |
| Bong | 7 | 275 | 2 | 0.7 | 10 | 12 | 232 | 19 | Ongoing |
| Maryland | 8 | 141 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 17 | 105 | 17 | Ongoing |
| Grand Gedeh | 3 | 131 | 0 | 0.0 | 68 | 22 | 20 | 21 | Ongoing |
| Sinoe | 1 | 106 | 0 | 0.0 | 16 | 12 | 24 | 54 | Ongoing |
| Bomi | 1 | 78 | 4 | 7.2 | 19 | 24 | 17 | 16 | Ongoing |
| Grand Cape Mount | 2 | 79 | 3 | 5.0 | 17 | 12 | 21 | 26 | Ongoing |
| Grand Kru | 1 | 33 | 0 | 0.0 | 16 | 5 | 6 | 6 | Ongoing |
| Gbarpolu | 0 | 21 | 0 | 0.0 | 8 | 3 | 9 | 3 | Ongoing |
| Rivercess | 3 | 31 | 1 | 0.0 | 9 | 6 | 7 | 8 | Ongoing |
| River Gee | 1 | 19 | 0 | 0.0 | 11 | 4 | 0 | 4 | Ongoing |
| Total | 239 | 5,923 | 71 | 1.5 | 395 | 369 | 4,585 | 503 |  |

Table 3: Status of Measles Cases by County, Liberia, 13 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ Dec, 2021-20th July, 2022

| County | Total Cases | Active | Recovery | Deaths | \# of Districts |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montserrado | 3,265 | 135 | 3,071 | 59 | 7/7 |
| Nimba | 608 | 24 | 583 | 1 | 6/6 |
| Margibi | 495 | 24 | 471 | 0 | 4/4 |
| Grand Bassa | 433 | 27 | 404 | 2 | 7/8 |
| Lofa | 204 | 2 | 202 | 0 | 4/6 |
| Bong | 277 | 7 | 268 | 2 | 5/9 |
| Maryland | 141 | 8 | 133 | 0 | 2/6 |
| Grand Gedeh | 131 | 3 | 129 | 0 | 5/6 |
| Sinoe | 106 | 1 | 105 | 0 | 4/10 |
| Bomi | 78 | 1 | 73 | 4 | 4/4 |
| Grand Cape Mount | 79 | 2 | 74 | 3 | 4/5 |
| Grand Kru | 33 | 1 | 32 | 0 | 2/5 |
| Gbarpolu | 23 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 2/5 |
| Rivercess | 31 | 3 | 27 | 1 | 3/6 |
| River Gee | 19 | 6 | 13 | 0 | 3/6 |
| Total | 5,923 | 244 | 5,608 | 71 | 62/93 |



Figure 1: Distribution of Measles Cases in Liberia


Figure 2: Trend of Measles Cases in Liberia, Epi week 1-28, 2018-2022


Figure 3: Vaccination status of confirmed Measles cases by Age group, Liberia, 13 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ December, 2021-20th July, 2022


Figure 4: Measles deaths by Age group and Vaccination Status, Liberia, $13^{\text {th }}$ December 2021-20 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ July, 2022


Figure 5: Epi Curve of Measles cases by Epi Classification, Liberia, Epi week 1-28

## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

I. Coordination

- Ongoing monitoring of measles surveillance data with provision of feedback to relevant stakeholders and developmental partners


## II. Epidemiological Surveillance

- Active case search and line listing of cases ongoing


## III. Case management

- Isolation of cases ongoing


## IV. Immunization

- Phase 2 of the nationwide Measles campaign ongoing in all 15 counties:
- Target 313, 817 children
- Age group 9-59 months
- Supported by WHO and UNICEF


## V. Laboratory

- Three hundred sixty-eight (368) cases have been confirmed by laboratory from 62 health districts in 15 counties
- Lack of specimen collection kit in Grand Cape Mount County


## VI. Risk Communication and Community Engagement

- Airing of measles prevention and control messages ongoing (Rivercess, Bomi and Lofa) counties


## VII. Challenges

- Lacked of essential medications and medical supplies for case management
- No support for surveillance team for field work
- Delay lab result from NPHRL


## Next steps

- NPHIL/partners to procure essential drugs for case management
- Develop national Measles preparedness and response guide.
- Develop and validate national Measles and Rubella Surveillance guide.
- Develop and validate Measles SOP.
- Continue social mobilization


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[^0]:    * Not applicable referred to people less than the vaccination age

