





On 1 October 2007, the Pan American Sanitary Conference adopted Resolution CSP27.R2 on the elimination of rubella and congenital rubella syndrome (CRS) in the Americas. The resolution congratulates all Member States and their health workers for progress to date, expresses appreciation to all participating and supporting entities, and urges Member States to establish national commissions to document and verify measles, rubella, and CRS elimination, for ultimate review by an expert committee to be formed by PAHO.

The full text of the resolution will be available shortly at:
<http://www.paho.org/english/gov/csp/csp27index-e.htm>



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RESOLUTION

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ELIMINATION OF RUBELLA AND CONGENITAL RUBELLA SYNDROME IN THE AMERICAS

THE 27th PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CONFERENCE,

Having considered the progress report presented by the Director on the elimination of rubella and congenital rubella syndrome (CRS) in the Americas (Document CSP27/7);

Noting with satisfaction that tremendous progress has been achieved in obtaining the interruption of endemic rubella virus transmission, thus reducing the number of rubella cases in the Region by 98%, and that incidence is at its lowest to date in the Americas; and

Table No.1
Classification of Suspected Measles, Rubella, and Congenital Rubella Syndrome (CRS) Cases for the Period of Weeks 01-39, 2007

Subregion and Country	Suspect Cases 2007	Measles Confirmed 2007			Year/Week Last Confr. Measles Case	Rubella Confirmed 2007			Year/Week Last Confr. Rubella Case	Diagnosis of Discarded Cases 2007		Congenital Rubella Syndrome		CRI *	
		Clinic.	Lab.	Total		Clinic.	Lab.	Total		Dengue	Other	Suspect	Conf.		
AND	BOL	74	0	0	0	00/40	0	0	0	06/03	4	63	1
	COL	1077	0	0	0	02/39	0	0	0	06/18	28	1037	35	0	
	ECU	277	0	0	0	01/14	0	0	0	04/45	24	251	0	0	
	PER	1450	0	0	0	00/13	0	0	0	06/45	0	664	500	0	
	VEN	1185	0	23	23	07/06	0	48	48	07/34	238	866	...	...
BRA	BRA	19864	0	0	0	06/48	176	3238	3414	07/38	0	14104	0	0	
	CAP	COR	34	0	0	0	05/22	0	0	01/42	0	0	...	...
	ELS	84	0	0	0	01/19	0	0	0	06/43	14	70	...	...
	GUT	276	0	0	0	98/05	0	1	1	06/30	1	264	0	0	
	HON	167	0	0	0	97/29	0	0	0	04/11	57	101	17	0	
CAR	NIC	124	0	0	0	94/14	0	0	0	04/19	0	124	0	0	
	PAN	121	0	0	0	95/49	0	0	0	02/48	4	112	1	0	
	LAC	CAR	311	0	0	0	98/23	0	0	0	01/27	6	206	0	0
	CUB	513	0	0	0	93/27	0	0	0	04/06	0	513	0	0	
	DOR	130	0	0	0	01/23	0	0	0	06/44	1	7	...	...
MEX	FGU	13	0	0	0	...	0	0	0	...	0	13	...	...
	GUA	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	HAI	27	0	0	0	01/39	0	0	0	06/47	0	25	4	0	
	MAR	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	PUR	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
NOA	MEX	3302	0	0	0	06/49	1	60	61	07/28	0	2942	0	0	
	CAN	...	0	96	96	07/38	0	1	1	07/15	...	...	...	...
	USA	...	0	30	30	07/39	0	11	11	07/36	...	...	0	0
SOC	ARG	98	0	0	0	00/11	0	0	0	04/50	0	95	0	0	
	CHI	954	0	0	0	03/19	18	1742	1760	07/38	0	308	163	0	
	PAR	289	0	0	0	98/44	0	0	0	05/21	9	280	2	0	
	URU	11	0	0	0	99/08	0	0	0	01/37	0	1	0	0	
TOTAL	30381	0	149	149	-	195	5101	5296	-	386	22046	722	0	1	

... No report received

* Congenital Rubella Infection



Measles / Rubella Surveillance

Table No.2

Infection Source of Measles and Rubella Confirmed Cases for the Period of Weeks 01-39, 2007

Subregion and Country		Measles			Rubella			
		I	IR	U	I	IR	U	IN
AND	BOL							
	COL							
	ECU							
	PER							
	VEN		23					48
BRA	BRA							3414
	COR							
	ELS							
	GUT							
	HON							
CAR	NIC							
	PAN							
	CAR							
	CUB							
	DOR							
LAC	FGU							
	GUA							
	HAI							
	MAR							
	PUR							
MEX	MEX						61	
	CAN	4	1	91	1			
	USA	8	4					
SOC	ARG						1760	
	CHI							
	PAR							
	URU							
TOTAL		12	28	91	1		1821	3462

Table No.3

Measles/Rubella Suspected Cases Under Investigation for the Period of Weeks 01-39, 2007

Country	Pending Cases 2006	Cumulative 2007	Week of Rash Onset							Unkn.
			1-34	35	36	37	38	39		
BOL	0	7	5	0	1	0	0	1		
COL	0	12	6	2	2	2	0	0		
ECU	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	
PER	0	786	688	55	15	21	6	...	1	
VEN	0	10	10	0	0	0	...	...
BRA	0	2346	1188	252	211	353	342	...		
COR	0	34	32	0	1	0	0	0	1	
ELS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
GUT	0	10	10	0	0	0	0	0		
HON	0	9	6	1	0	2	0	0		
NIC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
PAN	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	...		
CAR	0	99	54	7	10	13	14	1		
CUB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
DOR	0	122	122	0	0	0	0	0		
FGU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...		
GUA	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
HAI	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0		
MAR	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
PUR	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
MEX	0	299	177	20	22	31	39	10		
CAN	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
USA	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
ARG	0	3	2	1	...	...	...	...
CHI	0	348	242	25	60	21	0	...		
PAR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
URU	0	10	10	0	0	0	0	...		
TOTAL	0	4104	2559	364	322	443	401	12	3	

I: Imported – IR: Import-related – U: Unknown – IN: Indigenous

... No report received

Table No.4

Indicators of Integrated Measles/Rubella Surveillance for the Period of Weeks 01-39, 2007

Sub-region and Country		% Sites Reporting Weekly	% Cases with Adequate Investigation	% Cases with Adequate Sample	% Lab Received ≤5 days	% Lab Result ≤4 days	% Cases Discarded by Lab	Chains of Transmission With Representative Samples for Viral Isolation	
								Measles	Rubella
AND	BOL	77	99	100	75	69	100		
	COL	88	68	97	79	87	98		
	ECU	65	58	98	84	78	99		
	PER	100	95	98	92	8	95		
	VEN	76	87	98	67	74	99		
BRA	BRA	89	57 ^a	64	44	90	97		
	COR	...	64	91	88	88	...		
	ELS	80	40	100	89	93	96		
	GUT	...	50	63	80	92	67		
	HON	94	96	95	83	94	98		
CAR	NIC	100	77	99	77	90	100		
	PAN	91	78	98	64	93	99		
	CAR	99	65	91	28	96	99		
	CUB	95	100 ^a	100	93	100	100		
	DOR	82	63	98	57	71	100		
LAC	FGU	...	...	...	...	...	...
	GUA	...	...	...	...	...	...
	HAI	81	96	100	33	41	92		
	MAR	...	...	...	...	...	...
	PUR	...	...	...	...	...	...
MEX	MEX	93	99	97	86	82	99		
	CAN	...	...	...	...	...	2		
	USA	...	...	...	...	...	...
SOC	ARG	87	19	98	77	86	100		
	CHI	98	29	68	81	98	98		1
	PAR	90	57	100	88	100	100		
	URU	56	...	60	88	75	...		
Total and Average		90	65	74	57	85	97	2	1

... No report received

^a Also includes information on active case-searches.