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Icterohemorrhagic Disease in Peru

In the town of Pampa Cedar, department of Pasco, Peru, the General Office of Epidemiology and the National Institute of Health concluded an investigation conducted to verify *three deaths* of members of a family with acute icterohemorrhagic syndrome, which occurred between Epidemiological Weeks (EW) 16 (ending on 19 April) and 23 (ending on 7 June), all from the town of Cedro Pampa in the district of Villa Rica. Laboratory serologic results indicate positivity for hepatitis B (in all three cases); and in two of them, (that of the 8- and 13-year-olds) for Delta hepatitis virus (HDV) by detection of HDV surface antigens from the core. A fourth death was also reported, based on data obtained at the time of the research, with a diagnosis of liver carcinoma from another town in the same district. The affected area has a history of cases of yellow fever, hepatitis B, leptospirosis, and bartonellosis, among others. (*Source*: PAHO/WHO Representative Office in Lima, Peru.)