Highlights

- In the current Lassa Fever outbreak, sixteen (16) States (Ogun, Bauchi, Plateau, Ebonyi, Ondo, Edo, Taraba, Nasarawa, Rivers, Kaduna, Gombe, Cross-River, Borno, Kano, Kogi and Enugu) have reported at least one confirmed case – Figure 1
- As at week 17 (April 22-28, 2017), the outbreak is still active in 9 states (Bauchi, Ondo, Edo, Taraba, Nasarawa, Kaduna, Kano, Kogi and Enugu). Ebonyi State has completed 42 days (two incubation periods) with no new confirmed case reported and the outbreak is over in the State. Kogi State has completed 21 days follow up but yet to complete 42 days follow up.
- Since the onset of LF outbreak in Dec. 2016 (Week 49), a total of 164 cases have been classified as: confirmed (149) and probable (15) with 68 deaths (53 deaths in confirmed and 15 in probable) recorded.
- Case Fatality Rate in confirmed and probable cases is 41.5% and 18.5% for all cases (including probable, confirmed and suspected).
- In the reporting Week 17 (April 22-28, 2017), 10 new suspected cases were reported in Ondo State of which all the Lab results came out negative. Two (2) pending results from Kano state came in as positive, with one (1) recorded death in the confirmed.

Figure 1. States with Confirmed and Probable cases as at April 28, 2017

Figure 2. Confirmed and Probable cases of Lassa fever by epidemiological week in Nigeria - Dec. 2016 to April 2017 (updated as at April 28, 2017), N = 164

1 “Active” means where there has been at least one confirmed case, and contacts within 21 days post exposure
2 Any suspected case with laboratory confirmation (positive IgM antibody, PCR or virus isolation).
3 Any suspected case (see definition above) but who died without collection of specimen for laboratory testing