NCDC Lassa fever outbreak weekly Situation Report No. 02 - January 27, 2017

Highlights

- The Lassa fever (LF) outbreak is currently active in nine states (Ogun, Bauchi, Plateau, Ebonyi, Ondo, Edo, Taraba, Nasarawa and Rivers) – Figure 1
- Since the onset of LF outbreak in Dec. 2016 (Week 49), a total 37 confirmed (30) or probable (7), have been reported with 19 deaths (14 deaths in confirmed and 5 in probable).
- Case Fatality Ratio for confirmed/probable cases is 51.4%
- In reporting Week 4 (Jan. 23 – 27, 2017), there were nineteen (19) suspected cases with three (3) laboratory confirmed cases. The new laboratory confirmed cases were in Nasarawa (2) and Ondo (1).

Figure 1. States with suspected cases as at Jan. 27, 2017

Figure 2 Epicurve of confirmed/probable Lassa Fever Cases - Dec. 2016 to Jan 2017, as at Jan 27 2017, N = 37

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i “Active” means where there has been at least one confirmed case, and contacts within 21 days post exposure

ii Any suspected case with laboratory confirmation (positive IgM antibody, PCR or virus isolation).

iii Any suspected case (see definition above) but who died without collection of specimen for laboratory testing