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SITUATION REPORT

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TITLE:	2019 LASSA FEVER OUTBREAK SITUATION REPORT
SERIAL NUMBER:	02
EPI-WEEK:	02
DATE:	13 January 2019

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

- In the reporting Week 01 (January 07 13, 2019) **thirty-five** new confirmed<sup>i</sup> cases were reported from Edo(12), Ondo(12), Bauchi(3), FCT(1), Ebonyi(5), Plateau(1) and Taraba(1) States with eight new deaths in Ondo(3), Edo(1), Ebonyi(1), Plateau(1) FCT(1) and Taraba(1)
- From 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019, a total of 172 suspected<sup>i</sup> cases have been reported. Of these, 60 were confirmed positive and 112 <u>negative</u> (not a case)
- Since the onset of the 2019 outbreak, there have been 16 deaths in confirmed cases. Case fatality rate in confirmed cases is 26.7%
- Eight states (Edo, Ondo, Bauchi, Nasarawa Ebonyi, Plateau, Taraba and FCT) have recorded at least one confirmed case across 17 Local Government Areas- *Figure 1*
- In the reporting week 02, no new healthcare worker was affected
- Forty-six patients are currently being managed at Irrua Specialist Teaching Hospital(ISTH) treatment Centre (20), Federal Medical Centre Owo (18), Bauchi (3) and Ebonyi(5) States Table 1
- A total of **593** contacts have been identified from eight states while 590 are currently under follow up and 3 are symptomatic positive contacts
- National rapid response team deployed to Bauchi state
- Lassa fever international conference scheduled for 16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> of January 2019, visit www.lic.ncdc.gov.ng
- Lassa fever national multi-partner, multi-agency Technical Working Group(TWG) continues to coordinate response activities at all levels



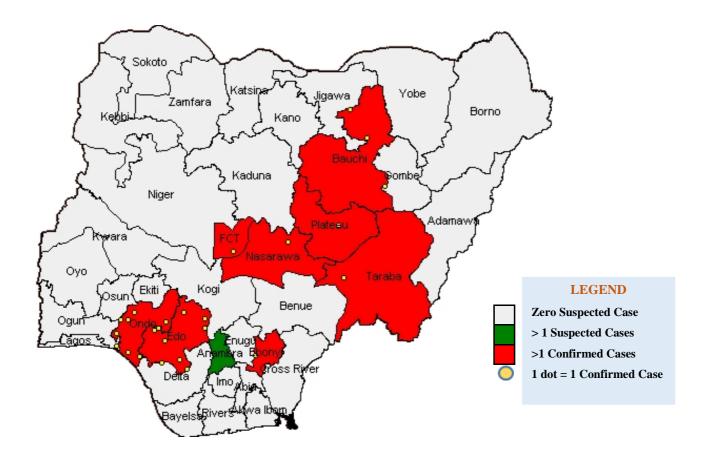


Figure1.Distribution of Confirmed Lassa Fever cases in Nigeria as at 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2019

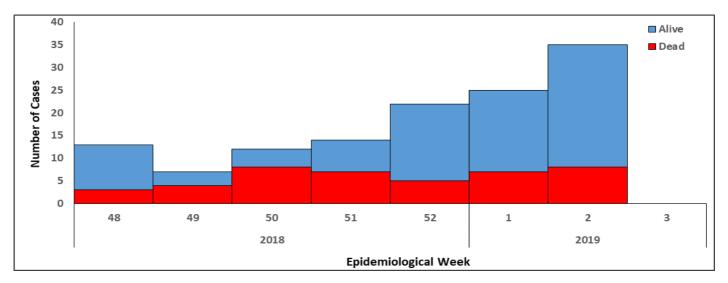


Figure 3. Epicurve of Lassa fever Confirmed 25 Cases in Nigeria week 2018/2019-02



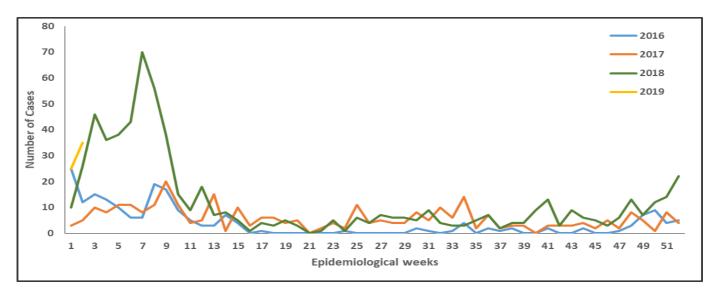


Figure 4. Weekly trends of Lassa fever Confirmed Cases in Nigeria, 2016-2019/Week 02

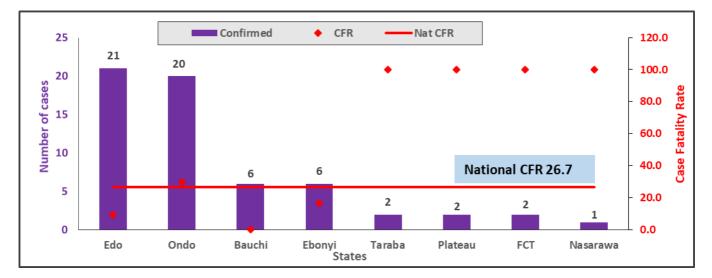


Figure 5. Confirmed Lassa fever cases in Nigeria with state specific Case Fatality Rates (CFR) as at 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>i</sup>Suspected case describes any individual presenting with one or more of the following: malaise, fever, headache, sore throat, cough, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, myalgia, chest pain, hearing loss and either a. History of contact with excreta or urine of rodents b. History of contact with a probable or confirmed Lassa fever case within a period of 21 days of onset of symptoms OR Any person with inexplicable bleeding/hemorrhagia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>*ii*</sup>Any suspected case with laboratory confirmation (positive IgM antibody, PCR or virus isolation)

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>iv</sup> "Active" means where there has been at least one confirmed case, and contacts within 21 days post exposure

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