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Global Situation

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- **Sierra Leone** is facing a severe mpox outbreak, with over 4,000 cases reported nationwide (AllAfrica, 2025). In response, the Ministry of Health has declared it a public health emergency and implemented targeted vaccinations, public awareness campaigns, and facility-based treatment. Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) has set up a 50-bed treatment center in Freetown, supporting clinical care and health promotion. [Full article]
- **Uganda's** Ministry of Health has reported a resurgence of mpox, with new cases emerging in 59 out of 146 districts over the past 21 days (Pulse Uganda, 2025). The outbreak spans 119 districts, with a recent spike in infections in Wakiso, Hoima City, Mukono, and Masaka City. The outbreak has led to 46 deaths, half of which were individuals co-infected with HIV. Authorities are monitoring the situation and urging public vigilance. [Full article]

Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF)

- **Iraq:** Health authorities confirmed the third death from CCHF this year in Dhi Qar province on July 9, 2025, involving a 60-year-old man from Al-Dawayah district (Shafaq, 2025). Since 2025, Iraq has recorded 161 CCHF cases and 27 deaths, posing a public health threat across multiple regions. [Full article]
- **Kazakhstan:** Kyzylorda region reported two new cases of CCHF, bringing the total to eight in 2025 (Tengrinews, 2025). Both patients, involved in agricultural and livestock activities, are receiving comprehensive treatment in the hospital. Health authorities have reported 857 tick bite consultations so far this year. [Full article]

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

• **India:** Jharkhand has reported a sharp rise in cases of HFMD cases among children aged 1 to 5 years in Ranchi City, with over 10 new cases emerging daily (Times of India, 2025). Health experts urge parents to ensure frequent handwashing, surface disinfection, and isolation. [Full article]



Malaria

South Korea: Yeoncheon County health authorities have confirmed more than 10 malaria cases and issued an official malaria warning on July 8, 2025 (Kyeongin Ilbo, 2025). The alert urges residents and visitors to remain vigilant as the risk of infection rises. Local health officials recommend preventive measures such as using mosquito repellent, wearing long-sleeved clothing, and eliminating standing water around homes. They also advise anyone experiencing fever or flu-like symptoms to seek medical evaluation promptly to ensure timely diagnosis and treatment. [Full article]

Rabies

• **India:** On July 10, 2025, an 11-year-old girl from Kadakkad, Kerala, died in a hospital following complications after a cat scratch (Onmanorama, 2025). Despite receiving two doses of the anti-rabies vaccine, she developed seizures and neurological symptoms. Officials are awaiting laboratory confirmation of the cause of death and are monitoring the case, with test results expected to determine if rabies was involved. [Full article]

West Nile

• The **United States (US):** Williamson County and Cities Health District confirmed the first human West Nile virus case of 2025 on July 3, involving a resident in their 40s (CBS Austin, 2025). Health authorities urge residents to prevent mosquito bites by draining standing water, using EPA-approved repellent, and wearing protective clothing during dawn and dusk. The Mosquito and Vector Control Division has stepped up surveillance, targeted spraying, and community education to reduce breeding sites and curb potential transmission. [Full article]

Regional Situation

COVID-19

• Viet Nam: Hung Yen province reported 30 new cases of COVID-19 in July with no serious illnesses or deaths recorded (Nhân Dân, 2025). In the first half of 2025, the province recorded 218 cases with no deaths. Although cases increased in late May and early June, the trend is now declining. Health authorities advise caution, mask wear, and continued preventive measures. [Full article]

Dengue

• Viet Nam: As of July 2025, Dak Lak Province has recorded 1,316 dengue cases, a rise of over 30% compared to the same period last year, with daily case numbers reaching up to 25 (VietnamPlus, 2025). Cu M'gar and Buon Ma Thuot are among the hardest-hit areas, and several hospitalized patients, including children. The increase is attributed to seasonal rains and the peak cycle of dengue outbreaks. In response, the health sector has intensified disease surveillance, chemical spraying, and public awareness campaigns, while urging community efforts to improve mosquito control and environmental sanitation. [Full article]



Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

- The **Philippines**: As of 2025, Negros Occidental has recorded 828 cases of HFMD, a 246% increase from the same period last year, mainly affecting children aged 1–10 (Outbreak News Today, 2025). Clusters in schools and daycare centers led to temporary closures and alternative learning arrangements. Health authorities launched cleanup drives and public campaigns to raise awareness on HFMD transmission and hygiene. [Full article]
- Viet Nam: Hung Yen province has reported 21 new cases of HFMD in the past 10 days, no serious complications or deaths were reported (Nhân Dân, 2025). Since 2025, the province has registered 740 cases, all promptly treated without deaths. Authorities note a declining trend and continue urging the public to maintain personal hygiene and wash hands regularly. [Full article]

Leptospirosis

• Indonesia: As of July 8, 2025, Yogyakarta City reported 19 cases of leptospirosis, with six deaths, reflecting a high a 31% case fatality rate (CFR) (Antara News, 2025). The infections, linked to water or soil contaminated by rat urine, occurred in 11 subdistricts, with Jetis and Tegalrejo reporting most cases. Delayed diagnosis due to non-specific symptoms contributed to deaths. The City Health Office urges residents to seek prompt medical care for fever and body aches. [Full article]

Malaria

• Viet Nam: In July 2025, Ha Tinh province reported its sixth imported case of malaria in Song Yen village, Thien Cam commune (Kiến Thức, 2025). The patient, a laborer returning from Angola, was diagnosed with *Plasmodium falciparum* and is currently stable after treatment. The Ha Tinh Center for Disease Control and local authorities have implemented measures such as epidemiological investigations, mosquito control, and testing to prevent community transmission. [Full article]

Measles

• Viet Nam: Hung Yen province recorded 11 new measles cases over the past so far in July, with infections scattered across communes and wards (Nhân Dân, 2025). Earlier this year, Hung Yen recorded 761 suspected or confirmed measles/rash cases, and Thai Binh recorded 328. A sharp decline occurred in the recent weeks, following intensified prevention measures and vaccination campaigns. The health sector is urging continued adherence to vaccination schedules, hygiene practices, and early medical consultation for symptomatic individuals to sustain disease control. [Full article]

Melioidosis

• Viet Nam: On July 10, 2025, the Dak Lak Department of Health confirmed two cases of Whitmore disease in Ea M'roh and Hoa Son communes (Vietnamnet, 2025). The patients, aged 54 and 64, developed fever, respiratory complications, and urinary issues. Both are receiving treatment at Tay Nguyen General Hospital and are recovering. Health authorities have implemented enhanced clinical training and epidemiological investigations to prevent further transmission. [Full article]



Rabies

• Viet Nam: On July 10, 2025, the Dak Lak Provincial Center for Disease Control reported a suspected rabies-related death in Buon Brah, Ea Tul commune, the fifth death in the province this year (VOV, 2025). The 35-year-old man developed classic rabies symptoms and died the same day, 20 days after a dog bite and delayed vaccination. Local health authorities are investigating, conducting vaccinations, and launching public awareness campaigns to improve rabies prevention efforts. [Full article]

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