



Update on the measles outbreak in Pader district of 21st June, 2006:

- On 15th June, 2006: WHO Pader office was notified of 8 suspected outbreaks of measles at Kalongo hospital.
- A team consisting of NPO DC, District surveillance focal person and joined by the HSD laboratory focal person investigated the outbreak on the 16th June, 2006.
- The team found a total of 16 patients; all children fitted the case definition for measles.
- Samples were also obtained from 15 of the suspects to be taken to Entebbe for laboratory confirmation.
- The district health office decided on an emergency vaccination of all children 6-59 months in nine of the affected camps as a matter of urgency on the 16th June, 2006.
- On Saturday, 17th June, 2006 a joint team consisting of the DDHS office, WHO and UNICEF held a meeting with HSD rapid response to discuss strategies to response to the possible outbreak.
 - The meeting concluded that mass vaccination should be undertaken in the 9 selected camps.
 - The HSD staff divided up roles in this meeting to undertake intense social mobilization of the community towards the exercise. Pre cold chain activities and supplies were also discussed.
- The Vaccination exercise has been conducted for all in patients of Saturday 17th June and all children in the staff quarters of kalongo hospital on Sunday, 18th.
- Mass vaccination was conducted from Monday 19th - Wednesday, 21 in the 9 camps.
- Following receipt of lab reports from URVI confirming measles outbreak; a micro-plan has been developed to scale up the vaccination to the all district. Below are the affected camps and the patient load per camp.

Camps	Number of cases (Total)	Number of New cases as of 21 st June, 2006	Number of death	Total
Kalongo IDP camp	25	2	0	25
Paimol IDP camp	5	0	0	5
Amyel IDP camp	3	0	0	3
Kokil IDP camp	2	0	0	2
Wol IDP camp	1	0	0	1
Lira Kato IDP camp	2	0	0	2
Olung IDP camps	2	0	0	2
Omyia Anyima IDP camp**	2	0	0	2
Pader TC *	1	0	0	1
Patongo IDP camp	1	0	0	1
Total	42	2	0	42

** IDP camp located in Kitgum

* Child was admitted at Kalongo hospital with malaria but reportedly contracted measles on the ward

Today 21st June, DDHS declared there was an outbreak of measles in Pader.

Activities undertaken by WHO:

- Participated in the investigation of suspected outbreak at Kalongo and surrounding camps
- Support the district to estimate logistic for emergency vaccination in the nine camps selected by the district
- Participated in the development of the microplan to scale up measles vaccination in the district
- WHO is a member of the measles task force that meet on daily basis in the DDHS office
- WHO staff was requested to support DHV in coordinating the emergency Vaccination exercise in the nine camps
- Established and regularly updated the line list for the consumption of partners.

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