

World Health Organization Wild Polio Virus Update

Week ending 11 November

Headlines:

Three years since no wild poliovirus type 3: the 10th of November is an opportunity to mark three years with no child paralyzed by wild poliovirus type 3 (WPV3); a reminder of the role of surveillance in ensuring the world is polio free, and of innovations in driving the program forward.

This week, the Emergency Committee of the International Health Regulations (IHR) is meeting by teleconference, to determine whether the current epidemiology continues to represent a public health emergency of international concern, and whether to maintain the temporary recommendations associated with it for a further three months.

Afghanistan: **No new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) cases were reported in the past week.** The most recent case had onset of paralysis in Batikot district of Nangarhar on 4 September. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2015 remains 13.

Pakistan: **One new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) cases were confirmed in the past week,** with onset of paralysis on 21 October. It is the most recent WPV1 case in the country, from Khyber in Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA). The total number of WPV1 cases for 2015 is 39.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<u>Globally</u>	52	278
<u>Endemic Countries</u>	52	259
<u>Non-Endemic Countries</u>	0	19

<u>Afghanistan</u>	13	18
<u>Pakistan</u>	39	235