



Join us on the “last mile” to end polio!!

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Almost weekly polio update.....

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Good news—no wild poliovirus cases reported this week! (see more good news below!!)

Wild Poliovirus Cases reported this week: None

Most recent wild poliovirus cases: Afghanistan: 5/18/23 Pakistan: 7/11/23

| | As of 8/29/23 | Total | Total | Total | Total |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 2023 (2022ytd) | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 |
| WPV (Wild Poliovirus) | 7 (21) | 30 | 6 | 140 | 176 |
| WPV-Afghanistan | 5 (15) | 2 | 4 | 56 | 29 |
| WPV-Pakistan | 2 (1) | 20 | 1 | 84 | 147 |
| WPV- Other countries | 0 (5) | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| cVDPV circulating vaccine-derived | 232 (272) | 871 | 699 | 1117 | 378 |

Positive Environmental (sewage) samples: This week, 2023 year-to-date in parentheses (); 2022 total year in brackets { }

Wild poliovirus= 1; (49); {65} cVDPV (variant) = 1!!; (168); {487}

For those who want more detailed information about polio....
<https://www.polioeradication.org> <https://www.gavi.org>
<https://www.endpolio.org> <https://www.WHO.int>

Breaking news!! Together we, Rotarians, in 2022-23 did make our \$50 million commitment to ending polio. Final numbers not in, but we did cross the \$50 million bar! AND....we have immunized more children in Afghanistan this year than any year before despite all the political challenges!

Do you know anyone in your local media outlets? We are creating audio and video Public Service Announcements (PSAs) for World Polio Day that can be given to your local stations to air. I hope to have the downloadable links in next week’s update.



Thanks to Dick Schultz, a Florida Rotarian and Polio Education Warrior for this graphic

GPEI (Global Polio Eradication Initiative) is seeking submissions of videos promoting the eradication of polio. Deadline has been extended to early Sept.

Please register your event on the www.endpolio.org/register website!

Some World Polio Day events happening in our Zones:

1. Walk, Run, Ride across the Golden Gate Bridge to End Polio on Sat. Oct. 21— register by going to <http://raise.rotary.org/Debbie-Hale-D5230/Challenge>

2. Stay tuned for information about the limited-edition Rick Barry signed basketballs that can be used to raise money for polio

3.

21st YEAR!

Tour de Lincoln

SATURDAY **OCTOBER 21** **2023**

- 100k, 50k, and 25k rides
- Register at Active.com
- BBQ Lunch
- Proceeds support Rotary service projects

www.tourdelincoln.org

Annual Ride to End Polio—Sat. Nov.18 in Tucson, AZ. Welcome to the 2023 Michael J. Harris Rotary District 5500 Ride to End Polio Presented by the Rotary International Fellowship Cycling to Serve. For more info, go to www.polioride.org

Let us know about your events and we can help publicize in this update. Don't forget to register them!

Note: This update is going out to those on Bob Roger's previous list and all Zones 2627 DGs and DPPCs. Let me know if you no longer wish to receive these updates or if you have others that should be added. Shoot me an email marnyeul@me.com

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