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STANDARD CASE DEFINITIONS

ACUTE FLACCID PARALYSIS

Any case with weakness or floppiness of sudden onset, not due to trauma,
in a child less than 15 years of age.

All suspected cases of Poliomyelitis, Guillain- Barre Syndrome, or
Transverse Myelitis should be reported as AFP.

SUSPECTED MEASLES

History or Presence of a generalized maculo-papular rash

AND

Fever

AND

Any one of the following:

- Cough
- Red Eyes
- Runny Nose

NEONATAL TETANUS

History of Normal Suck and Cry for the First 2 DAYS of life,
AND

History of onset of illness Between 3 and 28 Days of age,
AND

History of inability to suck followed by stiffness AND/OR
Convulsions
AND
OFTEN Death

** Report all cases of the above mentioned Diseases to the Medical Officer of Health or the nearest Health Facility.*



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