



Polio update for June 26, 2026

Note: This update is going out to all District 5130 Presidents, Presidents-Elect, Presidents-Nominees, Club Foundation Chairs, PolioPlus Chairs, the District Governor, Past District Governors, District Governor Elect, District Governor, Nominee, Area Governors and others who have requested to be on the list. 😊 However, if you wish to no longer receive these updates, let me know and I'll remove you from the list 😞.

WILD POLIO TYPE 1 (WPV1)

GOOD NEWS THIS WEEK. NO NEW CASES OF WILD POLIO, REPORTED. SO THE 2025 YEAR TOTAL COUNT REMAINS AT 9 (6 IN AFGHANISTAN AND 3 IN PAKISTAN). This compares to 14 cases at this same time last year.

Dates of the most recent Wild Polio Cases, Type 1 are:

Pakistan: 04/07/2026

Afghanistan: 05/07/2026

	As of June 23, 2026		Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
	(YTD Comparison)		2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
	2026	(2025)					
WPV1 Afghanistan	6	(2)	21	25	6	2	4
WPV1-Pakistan	3	11	31	74	6	20	1
WPV1- Other	0	(0)	0	0	0	8	1
Countries							
Total WVP1	7	(13)	52	99	12	30	6
cVDPV (circulating Vaccine-Derived Poliovirus) cases this week *0	64	(67)	243	463	523	883	702

WILD POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES TYPE 1 (ES)

ANOTHER BIT OF GOOD NEWS IS THAT THERE WERE NO NEW CASES OF WILD POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES AS WELL. SO THE 2025 TOTAL REMAINS AT 760 AND THE 2026 YEAR -TO-DATE COUNT REMAINS AT 127.

CIRCULATING VARIANT POLIO VIRUS CASES (cVDPV)

NOT SO GOOD NEWS THIS WEEK IN THE VARIANT POLIO count. In our other battlefront against polio, the circulating variant, THERE WERE 5 CASES REPORTED AS FOLLOWS:

- **1 Type 2 case in the Central African Republic**
- **1 Type 1 case in Ethiopia**
- **2 Type 1 cases in Lao PDR (People's Democratic Republic)**
- **1 Type 2 case in Mali**

POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES OF VARIANT POLIO VIRUS (ES)

There was 1 Positive type 2 Environmental Samples reported this last week in Nigeria as well, so the 2026 Year-To-Date increases to 39. The 2025 total of variant ES remains at 249.

Headline News

Technical Advisory Group sets priorities and benchmarks to end polio in Afghanistan and Pakistan

The Technical Advisory Group (TAG) on Polio Eradication, an independent body of global experts, recently convened to review progress, challenges and operational plans across the world's last two wild polio-endemic countries, and identified key priorities and milestones, as both countries continue to work to interrupt their remaining chains of wild poliovirus transmission. [More](#).

That's it for this week folks.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to those in Venezuela.

See you next week.

Bob