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Réunion des directeurs de la santé du Pacifique

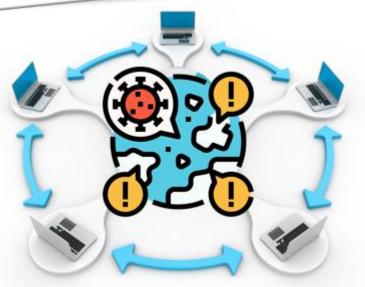
Pacific Public Health Surveillance Network update and the call for data sharing agreements

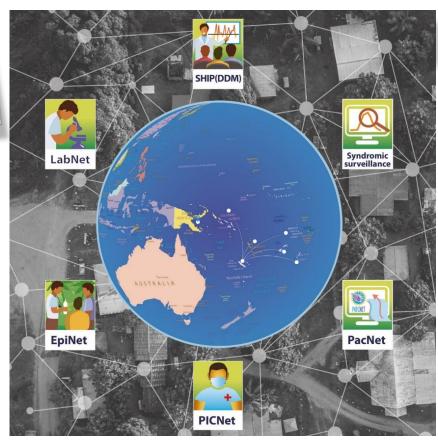
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On behalf of the PPHSN-Coodinating Body and core members

Current situation









Future vision



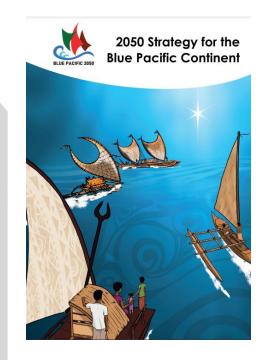
Multi-source disease surveillance systems

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Early Warning Systems

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Adapting to future health threats brought by climate change





Recent progress – External review of PPHSN

Focused on

- Governance
- Communication structures and mechanisms
- Effectiveness of six services of PPHSN



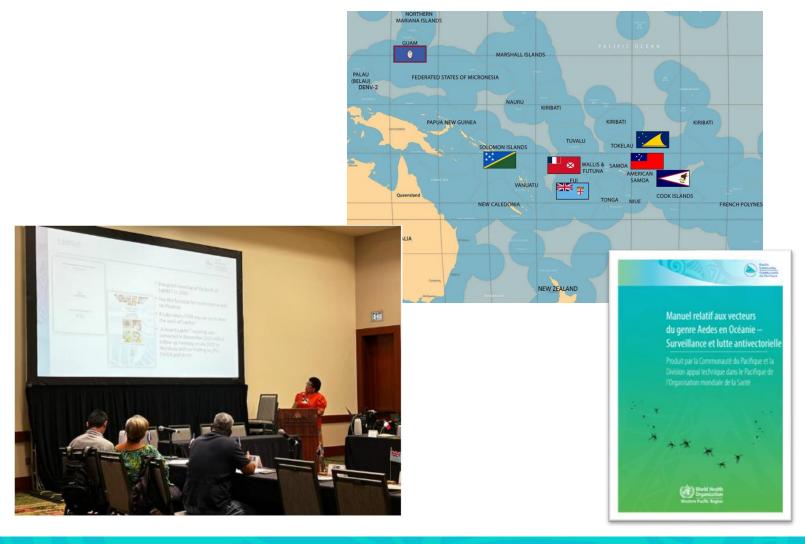






Recent progress – Pacific Vector Network (PVN)

- PVN launched in Hawai'i in June 2023
- 7 PICT representatives selected for the PVN technical working body until 2025
- Secretariat support from PIHOA, SPC and WHO



Recent progress – PPHSN meetings in 2023

- PICNet Meeting in Nadi, 24-26 May
- Launch of the Pacific Vector Network (PVN) in Honolulu, 5-7 June
- 25th meeting of the PPHSN Coordinating Body in Honolulu, 24 July
- EpiNet/LabNet regional meeting in Honolulu, 25-28 July















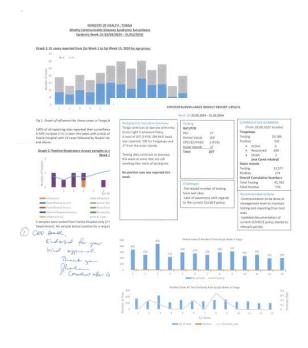
Recent progress – publications, guidelines, reports



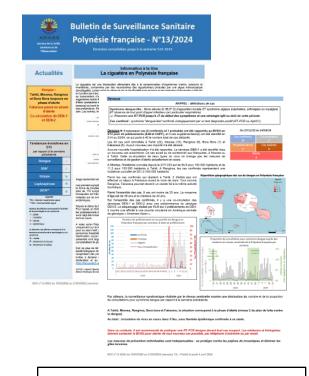
Recent progress — SHIP-DDM



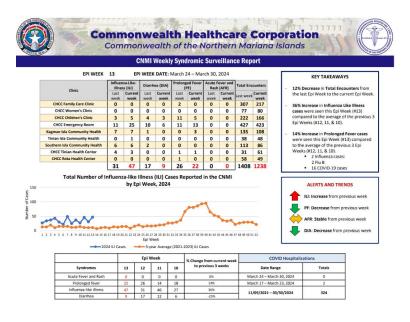
Recent progress – Data sharing



Tonga MOH Weekly Communicable Disease Syndromic Surveillance Report



French Polynesia Health Surveillance Report



CNMI Weekly Syndromic Surveillance Report

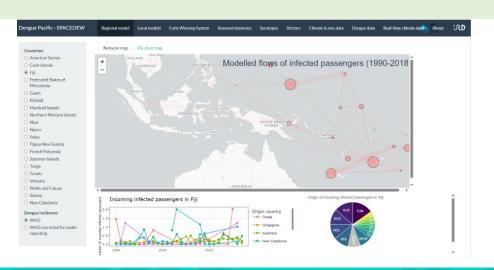
Why urgent action is needed now

Need for ongoing investment and enhancement of regional surveillance and response capabilities.



- Data storage, visualisation, dissemination and repositories
- Standardised data sharing agreements for priority diseases
- Databases for longitudinal disease trend analysis

- Early Warning Systems / predictive models
- Leveraging technology to assist local health managers in assessing outbreak risks



Recommendations to be considered...

For governments

- Start exploring data sharing agreements with regional technical agencies and development partners
- Note the newly launched Pacific Vector Network and support its nurturing and operations via the Technical Working Body and the intent to develop its strategic plan to guide the network activities

For development partners

- Start exploring data sharing agreements with PICTs
- Support the development and operations of the Pacific Vector Network as a new initiative of PPHSN

Thank you Malo 'Aupito Fa'afetai

