

July 2026 Health Watch: Digital Health Conferences, Disease Outbreak Update

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1. In July 2026, Panama City, Panama, will host a significant regional convening focused on digital health. What is the name of this event?

- A) Regional Health Innovation Summit
- B) Pan-American Highway for Digital Health: Connecting People, Transforming Health**
- C) Digital Health Transformation Conference
- D) Latin America Health Data Exchange Forum

2. According to PAHO/WHO updates in June 2026, which infectious disease has seen a significant increase in cases across the Americas, with transmission accelerating in Peru's Puno region?

- A) Dengue
- B) Yellow Fever
- C) Measles**
- D) Chikungunya

3. Caribbean Public Health Day is celebrated annually on July 2nd. Which regional agency's anniversary coincides with this day, highlighting its role in public health for the region?

- A) Caribbean Health Research Council (CHRC)
- B) Caribbean Epidemiology Centre (CAREC)
- C) Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA)**
- D) Caribbean Environmental Health Institute (CEHI)

4. The 'Pan-American Highway for Digital Health' conference in Panama City (July 27-30, 2026) will address several key priorities. Which of the following is a stated priority for this event?

- A) Developing a regional framework for vaccine distribution
- B) Advancing the regional legal and regulatory framework for digital health**
- C) Establishing a unified telemedicine network across the Americas
- D) Creating a regional database for infectious disease surveillance

5. In June 2026, health authorities in Córdoba, Argentina, reported an increase in a specific hemorrhagic fever. Which virus is responsible for Argentine hemorrhagic fever?

- A) Andes virus
- B) Junin virus**
- C) Ebola virus
- D) Nipah virus

6. The Ministry of Health in Saint Lucia launched Nutrition Awareness Month in June 2026 under the theme 'Healthy Eating, Active Living: Promoting Caribbean Foods as Medicine.' What is a key objective of this initiative?

- A) To promote the consumption of imported processed foods
- B) To encourage the adoption of healthier eating habits and physical activity to prevent non-communicable diseases**
- C) To ban the sale of traditional Caribbean foods
- D) To focus solely on mental health awareness

7. Mexico is implementing a significant health reform aimed at achieving Universal Health Coverage by 2027. Which three public health subsystems are being integrated into a single network?

- A) IMSS, ISSSTE, and PEMEX Health Services
- B) IMSS, ISSSTE, and IMSS-Bienestar**
- C) Seguro Popular, INSABI, and IMSS
- D) ISSSTE, PEMEX Health Services, and IMSS-Bienestar

8. Which Caribbean nations were recently certified by the WHO for eliminating the mother-to-child transmission of HIV?

- A) Cuba and Jamaica
- B) Trinidad and Tobago and Barbados
- C) The Bahamas and Turks and Caicos Islands**
- D) Haiti and the Dominican Republic

9. The 'Pan-American Highway for Digital Health' conference in Panama City will feature a Connectathon. This event is part of a larger assembly. Which assembly is it?

- A) The Latin American Health Informatics Assembly
- B) The Regional Assembly of Health Data Standards
- C) The 12th Annual RACSEL Assembly**
- D) The Caribbean Digital Health Alliance Meeting

10. In June 2026, Brazil is experiencing notable transmission of which lesser-known emerging disease that can cause serious complications like meningitis or encephalitis?

- A) Zika virus
- B) Oropouche virus**
- C) West Nile virus
- D) Mayaro virus