

Cuban government evaluates dengue and Covid-19 incidence



Havana August 10 (RHC)-- Cuba shows an increase in the dengue and Covid-19 transmission in the 31st week of the year, a governmental meeting on the subject acknowledged.

At the encounter, headed by President Miguel Diaz-Canel, at the Palace of the Revolution, First Deputy Minister of Public Health Tania Cruz said that during the period, 28,850 spots of *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes, the agent that transmits dengue, were detected with a tendency to increase.

Dengue transmission was reported in 12 provinces, 25 municipalities and 37 health areas, with the highest increase in Havana, Holguín, Camagüey, Santiago de Cuba, Sancti Spiritus, Las Tunas, Matanzas and Cienfuegos.

During the week, 17,534 diagnoses were performed with positivity of 53.8 percent.

Regarding the incidence of Covid-19, the spread has also increased, mainly in central and eastern provinces of the island, with a predominance of the Omicron variant, BA.5 subvariant.

This was the twelfth consecutive week in which Cuba reported no deaths due to SARS-CoV-2.

The Cuban health system is developing a strategy for the epidemiological stability of the country based on the primary health care network to actively detect suspected cases and diagnose and isolate them, aiming to cut the chain of transmission.

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