

Summary

According to the laboratory surveillance¹, Coxsackie A was the predominant virus type in past 4 weeks (Figure 1). However, the number of cases with EV71 infection were still high, and most of these cases were sporadic with mild symptoms. During week 31, the total number of outpatient and ER visits for enterovirus infection was 15,148 (Figure 2) ,which was still above the national baseline (10,500 visits). The numbers of medical visits continued to decrease in recent weeks.

In week 31, one EV71 EVSC² case was newly confirmed. There have been 25 EVSC cases since 2019 (Figure 3). Most of the EVSC cases were caused by EV71 (18 cases), and other cases were caused by Coxsackie A6, A9, A10, B5, ECHO11 and EVD68. Among EVSC cases, 72% were below 5 years old (Table 1). Figure 4 showed the geographical distribution of EVSC cases according to their residential areas.

For further information, please visit the Taiwan National Infectious Disease Statistics System (NIDSS) website at https://nidss.cdc.gov.tw/en/

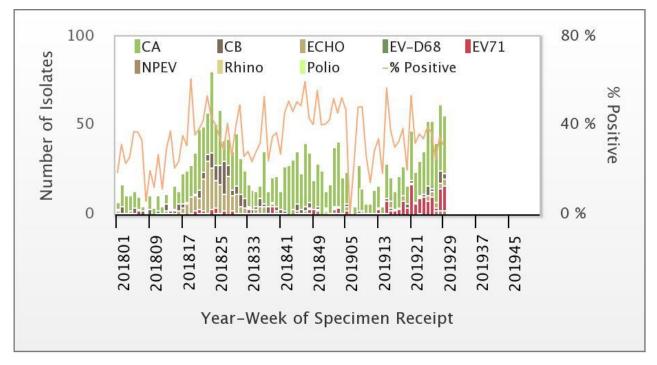


Figure 1. Trend of Enterovirus Isolates, 2018-2019

1. In terms of the surveillance systems in Taiwan, please see: Jian, S. W., Chen, C. M., Lee, C. Y., & Liu, D. P. (2017). Real-Time Surveillance of Infectious Diseases: Taiwan's Experience. Health security, 15(2), 144-153. 2. EVSC: Enteroviruses infection with Severe Complications



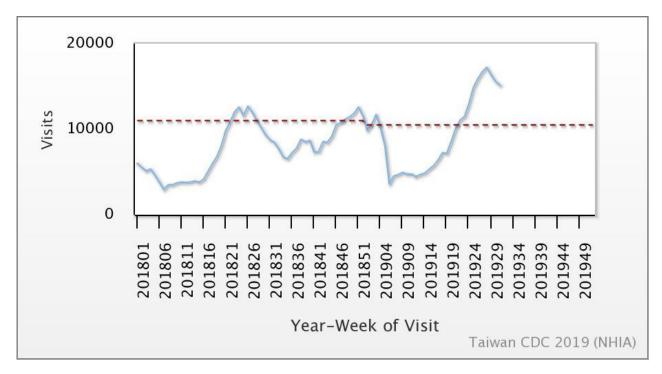


Figure 2. Trend of outpatient and ER visits for enterovirus infection, 2018-2019

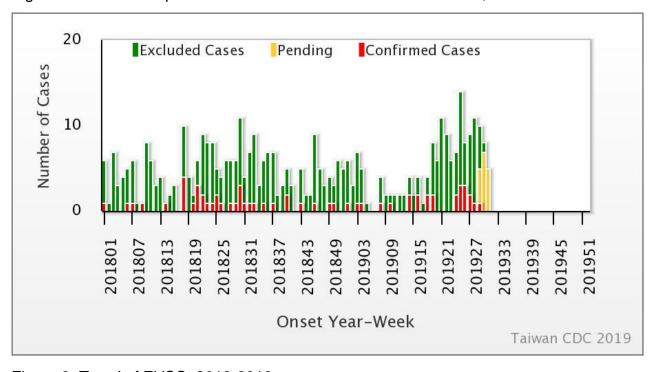


Figure 3. Trend of EVSC, 2018-2019

Table 1. Age and sex distribution of EVSC cases in 2019

Age(year)	Male	Female	Total
<1	4	0	4
1	2	2	4
2	5	2	7
3	2	1	3
4	0	0	0
5	1	0	1
6	0	1	1
7-9	2	1	3
≥10	2	0	2
Total	18	7	25
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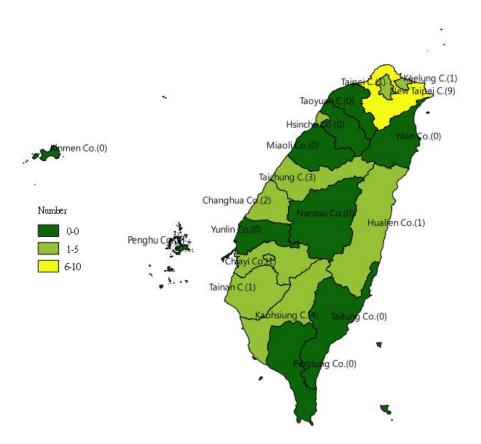


Figure 4. Geographical distribution of EVSC cases in 2019