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Colombia: Outbreak of Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis (VEE)

On February, one case of human VEE was reported to national authorities in Colombia, involving a soldier who had been in the Yondó province (Department of Antioquia). As a result, subsequent investigations and active surveillance were conducted on epidemiological week 20. Eight cases were found, seven of which were IgG positive (past contact with the virus) and one that was positive (current contact with the virus). On 18 June, a sentinel center was created in Yandó in order to maintain active surveillance. (**Source:** *Boletín Epidemiológico Nacional: Sem Epid. 25*. Instituto Nacional de Salud, Bogotá, Colombia).