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VENEZUELA - COMMUNIQUÉ OF 08/19/2024
RESURGENCE OF MONKEYPOX (MPOX)
DETERMINED BY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO)
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Summary of the Communiqué

On August 14, 2024, the Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the resurgence of monkeypox (Mpx) in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and other African countries as a public health emergency of international concern.

Between 2022 and August 17, 2024, there have been 63,270 confirmed cases of Mpx, including 141 deaths in 32 countries across the Americas. The majority of cases have occurred in men aged 20 to 44, with some cases in minors.

Venezuela has reinforced its health and epidemiological surveillance measures at ports and airports for travelers from affected countries. The country is implementing a comprehensive plan that includes tracking travelers, ensuring medical readiness, and pursuing vaccine acquisition for high-risk populations. The health authorities are also focusing on awareness campaigns for healthcare professionals and the general public, emphasizing early detection, isolation, and treatment of suspected cases.

Venezuela remains committed to protecting its population by maintaining stringent monitoring, enhancing communication, and working with community health committees to mitigate the spread of the disease.