1. Ebola virus disease outbreak overview

- Total new confirmed cases this week: 39
- Total cases: 3,168
- Total dead: 2,118
- Total recovered: 975
- Case fatality: 67%

2. Epidemic curve for confirmed and probable cases by date of onset

10th Ebola outbreak, DRC, 2018–2019

- 8 August 2018: Declaration of Ebola virus disease (EVD) outbreak by DRC Government
- 1 August 2018: Vaccination of frontline health care workers, community contacts and ‘contacts of contacts’ begins
- 12 August 2019: Preliminary trial results show improved survival among Ebola patients treated with REGN-EB3 or mAb114
- 30 July 2019: Confirmed case in Nyiragongo Health Zone, DRC (outskirts of Goma)
- 14 July 2019: One confirmed case in Goma, DRC
- 7 May 2019: New vaccination recommendations issued by SAGE
- 11 June 2019: Confirmed EVD case in Kasose District, Uganda
- 30 June 2019: Confirmed EVD case in Ariwara, DRC (near Uganda and South Sudan borders)

IHR = International Health Regulations; SAGE = Strategic Advisory Group of Experts; PHEIC = Public Health Emergency of International Concern.
Mwamini Kahindo, a nurse at the Vutsundu Health Centre, Butembo, was on duty on 27 August 2018 when a patient presented with symptoms similar to those of malaria and typhoid. After treating her for some days and her condition did not improve, Mwamini and her colleagues decided to transfer the patient to the university clinic. Unfortunately, the lady died a few hours after arriving at the clinic. The clinic immediately alerted the EVD surveillance team which tested and confirmed that she died of EVD.

Mwamini was tested and found to have EVD. Public health officers immediately transferred her to an Ebola treatment unit and offered her contacts vaccination against EVD.

"Dr Willy Beya from Africa CDC came everyday to the health centre to observe me and take my temperature. On 11 September 2018, I started showing symptoms of Ebola – headache, diarrhoea and vomiting. For 16 days I fought against the Ebola virus, thanks to the treatment I received and the advice from Dr Beya," said Mwamini.

On 27 September 2018, Mwamini was declared Ebola-free and discharged from the treatment centre.

"It was a moving moment when the doctors came and told me 'Mrs Kahindo, you are cured' and I walked out through the door of the Ebola treatment centre. It was fantastic to have my family, colleagues and friends back."

Being cured of Ebola has totally changed Mwamini’s perspective about EVD. She now joins Africa CDC volunteers to educate her community about the reality of EVD and the need to observe personal hygiene and protective measures.

"I am grateful to the Africa CDC surveillance team for facilitating my rapid care at the treatment centre and for their contribution to the response against Ebola in North Kivu," said Mwamini.