

Department of Disease Control

Weekly Disease Forecast No.277_Drowning During Floods (6 - 12 September 2020)

During August 20 up to the present, the Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation, Ministry of Interior, reports that flash floods, landslides and mudslides have occurred in 17 province, i.e. Chiangmai, Maehongson, Phayao, Lampang, Lamphun, Phrae, Nan, Uttaradit, Phitsanulok, Sukhothai, Tak, Nakhonphanom, Sakonnakhon, Kalasin, Khonkaen, Prachinburi and Singburi, affecting 23,278 households.

The Department of Disease Control surveillance has revealed 5 dead victims including 2 in Lampang and 1 each in Nan, Phrae and Sukhothai provinces.



From the Department of Meteorology, there is a continue risk of flash floods and floods in the lower Northeastern, Central and Eastern regions of the country especially during 5 to 8 September.

The Department of Disease Control warns people to be well aware of the risk and avoid drowning accidents during floods as follows: 1) do not leave risk groups such as children, the elderly, the disabled and people with chronic medical illnesses alone, 2) avoid drinking alcohol during water related activities, 3) avoid water related activities in fast-flowing streams, 4) prepare floatation devices such as life jackets, swimming rubber rings, empty plastic gallon jugs or floating dry coconuts for all water related activities, and 5) if accidentally fall into water, try to be calm, find the nearest shore, try to float (don't swim) or hug any flotation devices, and wave for help.

For queries or additional information, please call DDC hotline 1422.

