

## Ce Medical terminology and diseases

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The following is a list of names of diseases and medical terms in the Ce language of Central Nigeria. Ce is also known as Rukuba.

**Table 1. Medical terminology**

s.	pl.	Hausa	English	Notes
<b>avu</b>		<i>masu jinya</i>	sick person temporary	caused by possession, love etc.
			hysteria	
<b>ija</b>	—	<i>aloba</i>	epidemic	
<b>ikal</b>	—	<i>magani</i>	medicine	
<b>ikpililili</b>	<b>ikpililili</b>		possessed by spirits	
<b>ikusu</b>			event of death, mourning etc.	
<b>imasà imà</b>	—	<i>duba</i>	diagnosis	
<b>incùp</b>	<b>incùp</b>		cuts made on a swelling to let out excess fluid	
<b>inyhò</b>	<b>inyhò</b>		soul, spirit	
<b>itara unit</b>	—		charm used on a rival in love	lit. ‘shooting body’. this charm causes the victim to have pains in different parts of the body
<b>iyi kawù</b>	—	<i>hamma</i>	yawning	
<b>iyiso unit</b>	—		charm that causes s.o. to become a less effective farmer	lit. ‘tightening person’. These charms are used by farmers who are competing
<b>ìyo</b>	—	<i>ciwo</i>	disease	
<b>iyu iku</b>	—		absent soul	condition where the soul leaves the body under certain circumstances. this occurs principally with children
<b>kacv ikal</b>	<b>bancv ikal</b>	<i>gidan magani</i>	clinic, hospital	
<b>kidúk</b>	<b>adúk</b>		cupping horn	
<b>kigóró</b>	<b>agóró</b>	<i>guru</i>	amulet	< H.
<b>kiku</b>	<b>iku</b>	<i>mutuwa</i>	death	
<b>kikúm</b>	<b>akúm</b>	<i>gawa</i>	corpse	
<b>kucít</b>	—	<i>lafiya</i>	health, wellbeing	
<b>kuláa</b>	<b>alaa</b>	<i>laya</i>	charm, amulet	
<b>kuyék</b>	—		place where the spirit- doubles of each family reside	
<b>kuzuro</b>	—		place where the spirit- doubles of each family reside	
<b>ukanggà</b>		<i>ciwo</i>	illness, disease	
<b>unaròng</b>	<b>baròng</b>	<i>iskoki</i>	evil spirits	
<b>unawû</b>	<b>bawû</b>	<i>fatalwa</i>	witch	

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unukanga	ban'ukang	<i>majin yata</i>	patient	
uyhén	gà bayhén	<i>likita</i>	doctor (modern)	
uyhén àcákpilé		<i>boka</i>	doctor (traditional)	<b>àcákpilé</b> is a tiny bottle gourd made into a spoon. Beniseed and oil are put in it and it is used to retrieve 'lost' spirits ( <b>iyu ìku</b> ). The healer walks backwards with it from the site where the child was frightened.

Table 2. Diseases and conditions

s.	pl.	Hausa	English	Notes
àhîhêng		<i>sakuwa</i>	hiccups	
àkáyhì		<i>kashi jini</i>	dysentery	
akulangi			mumps	
àkpär			uterine infection	symptoms are production of gas. The name is ideophonic
àsànkàru		<i>sankaru</i>	meningitis	
àtáàntàn			ringworm	
ayhéng		<i>ramiwa</i>	weight loss, leanness, emaciation	
bàdirí isún		<i>hauka</i>	insanity	
bàdòng		<i>agana</i>	smallpox	
bàkóndùro		<i>bakondoro</i>	measles	< H.
bàtāràshik		<i>farfadya</i>	epilepsy	
iba			sickness	paralysis caused by stealing something from a ritual house. The cure is effected by brewing a ritual beer <b>ibahi'ba</b>
ìcàn	ìcàn	<i>kululuwa</i>	enlarged nodes on groin	
ìdèmbù	ìdèmbù	<i>gyambo</i>	external ulcer	
ìhéhèk		<i>sifa</i>	enlarged spleen	
ìhuk		<i>kullutu</i>	cyst	
ìhùùl		<i>kumburi</i>	swelling	
ìhúùl kukpa		<i>zazabi</i>	fever	
ìjiga		<i>jiga</i>	jigger	
ìkan bàyhi		<i>rashin jini</i>	anaemia	
ìkasapyù			dry skin	
ìkól		<i>kazuwa</i>	scabies	
ìkòóng		<i>fuka</i>	tuberculosis/asthma	
ìkós		<i>amai</i>	vomiting	
ìkron		<i>miki</i>	scratch, abrasion	
ìkubayí			numbness	
ìmahò		<i>kuturta</i>	leprosy	also <b>ìyo ìwúsù</b>
ìmakuya			eczema	

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ìmbélù			uterine inflammatory disease	
ìnkpra		<i>kululuwa</i>	whitlow	
ìnyishí		<i>tsutsan ciki</i>	pinworms	
ìnhí	<b>ìnhí</b>		scrotal swelling, scrotum	
ìnjá kìnè		<i>macijin ciki</i>	intestinal worms	
ìnkók			utero-vaginal prolapse	
ìnsírèk			nasal polyp	
ìtisí àká		<i>zawo</i>	diarrhoea	
ìtràt		<i>kanjamau</i>	AIDS	lit. 'eight'
ìyo ìwúsù		<i>kuturta</i>	leprosy	
ìyo kukpisek		<i>ciwon</i>	gonorrhoea	
		<i>sanyi</i>		
kicèp	<b>acep</b>		goitre	
kídidimi			elephantiasis	
kínku	<b>anku</b>	<i>kaban cibi</i>	umbilical hernia	
kishik	<b>ashik</b>	<i>maruru</i>	boil	
kuho		<i>makanta</i>	blindness	
kunut	<b>anut</b>	<i>miki</i>	wound	
ucisi		<i>atishawu</i>	sneezing	
udyà		<i>rashin karfi</i>	fatigue	
uhùrò		<i>mura</i>	cold	
ukanggà ìsúgà		<i>ciwon suga</i>	diabetes	recent coinage
ukpáy		<i>tari</i>	cough	
ukpáy áyhì		<i>tari jini</i>	coughing with blood, haemoptysis	