

Outbreak Report for December 2012, West Virginia

During the month of December, 2012, there were 26 outbreaks reported in West Virginia. Of the 26 reported, 21 (81%) were confirmed as outbreaks or clusters and 2 are under ongoing investigation. Fourteen were reported from healthcare facilities, four from schools, one from a day care, one from a senior care center, and one among attendees of a family gathering.

Among healthcare-associated outbreaks, 13 (93%) were reported from long-term care facilities (LTCFs) and one from an acute care facility.

The rest of this report describes the types and settings of the outbreaks. All data provided is provisional as some of the outbreaks are under ongoing investigation.

Respiratory illness outbreaks during the month of December, 2012 (n=18)

Type of outbreak	Number of outbreaks	Outbreak setting	Laboratory Testing	Number of Cases
Influenza	12	3 School Day care 8 LTCFs	Confirmed	Absentee rate: 16% Absentee rate: 18% Absentee rate: 19% 14 36, 23, 22, 16, 13, 12, 10, 3
Influenza Like Illness	4	1 School 2 LTCFs Senior Care Center	Not Done Pending Not Done	Absentee rate: 20% 31 17 5
Pneumonia	1	LTCF	Not Done	3
Upper Respiratory Tract Infection	1	LTCF	Not Done	8

Enteric disease outbreaks during the month of December, 2012 (n=1)

Type of outbreak	Number of outbreaks	Outbreak setting	Laboratory Testing	Number of Cases
Acute Gastroenteritis	1	Family gathering	Not Done	15

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Multidrug Resistant Organism outbreaks during the month of December, 2012 (n=1)

Type of outbreak	Number of outbreaks	Outbreak setting	Laboratory Testing	Number of Cases
Multi-Drug Resistant <i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	1	Acute care facility	Confirmed	8

Rash disease outbreaks during the month of December, 2012 (n=1)

Type of outbreak	Number of outbreaks	Outbreak setting	Laboratory Testing	Number of Cases
Scabies	1	LTCF	Not Done	3

For information on outbreak guidelines or any disease or condition please visit our website at www.dide.wv.gov or call us (24/7/365) at (304) 558-5358 or toll free in West Virginia (800) 423-1271.

Remember that outbreaks should be reported immediately to local health department.

This report will be sent on a monthly basis. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding this report.