Enteric Illness Outbreak Investigation Termination Form

Use to report enteric illness outbreaks of unknown or non-foodborne transmission

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<th>Agency/County:</th>
<th>Date Complaint Received:</th>
<th>Date MDA Notified:</th>
<th>Complaint #:</th>
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### I. Preliminary Information

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<th># ill/ # exposed:</th>
<th>Date/time meal consumed:</th>
<th>Date/time index case ill:</th>
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Establishment/Event Name & Address where food was prepared:

Location where food was consumed (if different):

### II. Outbreak Investigation

#### A. Epidemiological Investigation

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<th># ill/ # interviewed:</th>
<th>Age</th>
<th>Incubation</th>
<th>Duration of Illness</th>
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Number of persons experiencing following symptoms:

- Diarrhea: _____
- Abdominal Cramps: _____
- Headache: _____
- Other: ____________
- Vomiting: _____
- Nausea: _____
- Fever: _____
- Other: ____________

List all foods consumed during suspect meal (drink, appetizer/snack, salad/dressing, entrée, dessert, other foods):

Were 72 hour meal histories obtained for all cases to rule out shared exposures to other foods?

- [ ] yes  
- [ ] no

Other possible routes of transmission:

- [ ] Same household  
- [ ] Coworkers  
- [ ] Other shared meals within 72 hrs. of illness  
- [ ] Other _____________________________

#### B. Laboratory Investigation

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<th>Food Samples:</th>
<th>Clinical Samples:</th>
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Results:

- Lab: [ ] Regional  
- [ ] State  
- [ ] Private

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1 Check for person, place, and time links between cases
2 For <5 cases, please list individual values; for >5 cases, please list average
C. Environmental Investigation

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<th>Date of site visit:</th>
<th>Date implicated food was prepared:</th>
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Worker who prepared foods was ill?  □ Yes  □ No  □ Uncertain
Evidence that food was potentially mishandled?  □ Yes  □ No  □ Uncertain
Observations:

D. Discussion and Conclusions

Disposition:
Initial complaint met MDA regulatory definition of a foodborne illness outbreak:  □ Yes  □ No
If yes:  □ Investigation terminated – Investigation could not be complete
         □ Investigation completed – Source uncertain
         □ Investigation completed – Not foodborne

Prepared By: ____________________________________  Date: _______________________
Phone Number: ________________________________

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3Review of food handling practices used to prepare implicated foods on the day it was prepared to identify potential factors leading to Contamination, Survival, Growth and/or lack of Destruction of causative agent (see IAMFES 5th edition Procedures to Investigate Foodborne Illness pp. 20 – 42). Use of Food Preparation Review Worksheet is strongly encouraged.

4MDA regulatory outbreak definition: An incident where two or more persons, not of the same household, have ingested a common food and have a similar disease, similar symptoms, or excrete the same pathogens, and there is a time, place, or person association between these persons; where there is a single case of suspected botulism, mushroom poisoning, paralytic shellfish poisoning, or other rare disease; or where there is a case of a disease or poisoning that can be definitely related to the ingestion of food.
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