**Updates of Interest**

Remembering the 1918 Influenza Pandemic 100 years ago as the most severe pandemic in recent history, affecting an estimated 500 million people and leading to at least 50 million deaths worldwide.

Click [here](#) for a look back on the pandemic and the current preventative measures being used from the CDC.

**Influenza-associated Pediatric Mortality**

To date, two (2) pediatric influenza deaths (A/H3) have been confirmed by MDHHS for the 2017-2018 flu season. Nationally, one hundred fifty-six (156) influenza-associated pediatric deaths have been reported thus far for the 2017-2018 flu season.
Regional baseline is developed by calculating the mean percentage of patient visits for ILI during non-influenza weeks for the previous three seasons and adding two standard deviations.

In the United States, 1.8% of outpatient visits were due to influenza-like illness, which is below the national baseline of 2.2%.
Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Project

The CDC Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Project (IHSP) provides population-based rates of hospitalization due to severe influenza-related illness through active surveillance and chart review of lab-confirmed cases from Oct. 1, 2017 until Apr. 30, 2018, for Clinton, Eaton, Ingham, Genesee, and Washtenaw counties. Since Oct. 1, there have been a total of 1,562 (140 pediatric, 1,422 adult) influenza-related hospitalizations reported in the catchment area for the 2017-2018 season.

Genesee County was added in 2012-2013
Washtenaw County was added in 2017-2018
MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories reported 35 new positive influenza (10C, 0N, 5SE, 20SW).

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<th>Respiratory Virus</th>
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**Influenza Positive Test Results, 2017-2018**

- **FLU A, unsubtypable**
- **A (H1N1)**
- **A (H3)**
- **FLU B, no subtype**
- **B, Victoria**
- **B, Yamagata**

*Based on STARLIMS MDHHS BOL Testing Portal
Note: Flu B subtyping will be reported based on MDHHS BOL testing runs (roughly each month) and will be backtracked into this graph
Most recent MDHHS BOL Flu B subtyping run: **April 13, 2018**.

**Michigan Sentinel Clinical Lab Respiratory Virus Data**

Eight (8) sentinel clinical labs (15E, 15W, 6C, 0N) reported during this week.

**SE Region**
- Influenza A: modestly elevated
- Influenza B: modestly elevated; decreased from previous week; predominant
- Parainfluenza: slightly elevated
- RSV: slightly elevated; decreasing
- Adenovirus: low
- hMPV: modestly elevated; steady

**Central Region**
- Influenza A: low or slightly elevated; steady or decreasing
- Influenza B: modestly elevated; variable; predominant
- Parainfluenza: low; steady
- RSV: low or slightly elevated; steady
- Adenovirus: low
- hMPV: low or modestly elevated; variable

**SW Region**
- Influenza A: slightly elevated; downward trend
- Influenza B: moderately elevated; steady; largely predominant
- Parainfluenza: low
- RSV: modestly elevated; steady
- Adenovirus: low
- hMPV: slightly elevated; slightly increased from previous week

**North Region**
- No data available
There were 3 (0N, 1C, 0SE, 2SW) new respiratory viral outbreaks reported to MDHHS during this time period. Respiratory outbreaks for the 2017-2018 season are listed in the table below.

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**Did you know?**
Congregate setting outbreaks of viral respiratory illnesses are required to be reported to your local health department? See:
- Influenza Guidance for Healthcare Providers
- Guideline for influenza and Respiratory Virus Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Facilities

**FluBytes**
- **April 16 WHO Update**
  - Flu continues to decline in most of the Northern Hemisphere – except in parts of Eastern Europe, including Latvia and Russia with continued reporting of high influenza activity

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