Adenovirus-14 Outbreak in the UP, 2018

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Adenovirus

Different from other respiratory viruses

- Medium-sized, non-enveloped icosahedral viruses with doublestranded DNA
- Resistant to many common disinfectants
- Can remain infectious for longer periods on environmental surfaces than influenza

Adenovirus

- Broad spectrum of illness in humans, including pneumonia, conjunctivitis, cystitis, gastroenteritis
- Severity of illness varies from asymptomatic infection to severe lower respiratory tract infection, viral sepsis, and even death in rare occasions
- Severe infections more likely in immunocompromised individuals, young children, and older adults

Adenovirus

7 species and >50 serotypes of HAdVs (human adenoviruses) have been identified

Clinical manifestations, patterns of infection, and severity vary by species, subspecies, serotype, and genetic subtype

HAvD subgroup	Serotype	Type of infection		
A	12, 18, 31	gastrointestinal, respiratory, urinary		
B, type 1	3, 7, 16, 21	keratoconjunctivitis, gastrointestinal, respiratory, urinary		
B, type 2	11, 14, 34, 35	gastrointestinal, respiratory, urinary		
С	1, 2, 5, 6	respiratory, gastrointestinal including hepatitis, urinary		
D	8-10,13,15,17,19,20,22-30,32,33,36-39,42-49	keratoconjunctivitis, gastrointestinal		
Е	4	keratoconjunctivitis, respiratory		
F	40, 41	gastrointestinal		
G	52	gastrointestinal (Ghebremedhinet al., 2014)		

Detection

- Identified using viral antigen detection, PCR to identify viral DNA, virus isolation, and serology
 - Adenovirus identified more often than in the past as facilities are adopting multiplex PCR respiratory viral panels (RVPs)
- Adenovirus typing usually performed by molecular methods
 - Few labs can undergo adenovirus strain determination and often request testing by CDC

Transmission

Close personal contact

Aerosols from coughing and sneezing

Touching an object/surface with the virus, then touching mouth, nose, or eyes prior to washing hands

► Feces

► Water



Treatment and Prevention

No specific treatment

- Generally mild w/o needing medical care in healthy individuals
- Cidofovir has been used for severe infections in people with immunocompromised conditions, but with side effects
 - Additional studies are needed to prove its efficacy
- Prevention is key
 - Wash hands with soap + water
 - Avoid touching eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands
 - Avoid close contact with sick individuals
 - Stay home when sick
 - Cover mouth and nose when coughing/sneezing



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Persistence on Surfaces

Adenovirus not generally destroyed by common disinfectants

- Disinfectants effective against adenovirus include:
 - ~1,900 ppm chlorine
 - 79.6% ethanol with 0.1% quaternary ammonium compound
 - 65% ethanol with 0.63% quaternary ammonium compound
 - ▶ 70% ethanol
- Here are some examples of products with an EPA registered kill claim against adenovirus that are known to be effective:
 - Clorox Disinfectant Spray
 - Clorox Clean-Up
 - Lysol Disinfectant Spray



Vaccine

- There are currently no vaccines for adenovirus available for the general public
- Only approved for use among military personnel
 - 1971-1999 vaccine (against types 4 & 7) available to US military recruits, but stopped in 1999
 - March 2011 new live, oral vaccine approved by FDA for use among military personnel



HAdV serotype 14

B2 subspecies

First identified among military recruits in Netherlands in 1955

- Caused military and civilian outbreaks of pharyngoconjunctival fever and mild respiratory tract disease through 1960s in Europe and Asia
- This prototype strain was referred to as the de Wit strain
 - Rare and had not identified in the Western Hemisphere by 1990s

HAdV serotype 14

- Emerged as a significant pathogen in the U.S. in 2006 for several clusters of severe lower respiratory tract disease in both military and civilian settings
 - Community outbreak in Oregon resulted in 29 hospitalizations and 7 deaths
 - A U.S. military training facility outbreak resulted in 23 hospitalizations and 1 death



ADENOVIRUS 14 OUTBREAK IN THE UPPER PENINSULA

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INITIAL NOTIFICATION

- Friday, August 24 @ 10:25am MCHD nurse receives call from Infectious Disease physician at UPHS-Marquette
 - 4 cases of adenovirus admitted in past week
 - 2 severely ill: sisters, reside in neighboring county, one transferred for ECMO and other intubated in ICU
- Notifications to MCHD Medical Director, Regional Epi, MDHHS Respiratory Epi
- Specimens to be shipped to MDHHS Bureau of Labs for additional testing



ADENOVIRUS CLUSTER – ADDITIONAL CASES

• Monday, August 27

- Late call from UPHS IC to MDHHS coworker (casino) of one of the adenovirus cases was admitted at neighboring hospital. Thinking legionellosis, asked to test for adeno
- Tuesday, August 28
 - Medical Director contact to OSF IC
 - additional OSF inpatient identified from the weekend also works at same casino
- Cluster of severe illness + association with casino



Native American tribes recognized as independent, sovereign nations

• Do not fall under the jurisdiction of local or state health departments

CASINO AND TRIBAL JURISDICTION

- No health-related position at casino
- August 28 Tribal health clinic director contacted by LHJ Medical Director and served as liaison to casino, tribal leadership

• Notified of cluster, health-related guidance shared

EARLY CHALLENGES

- Adenovirus is not a required reportable disease
 - Unknown what the normal background is for the time of year
 - Testing capabilities changing at hospital labs (Multiplex PCR Respiratory Virus Panel)
- How to best track cases
 - Decision early to enter individually as Unusual Outbreak or Occurrence + utilize outbreak identifier

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MULTI-COUNTY

 Cases and healthcare facilities were across two jurisdictions and three counties

Statewide MDSS access for LHJs would have been helpful



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ADENOVIRUS CLUSTER – CONTINUED...

Thursday, August 30

- Adenovirus + PCR results on two cases from OSF
- 6 total cases, 4 w/ casino connection
- Joint decision (LHJ, MDHHS) to send out statewide HAN and provider letter – HAN will include name and location of casino
- MCHD/PHDM Medical Director contact to Tribal health clinic regarding prevention measures and HAN/provider letter
 - Enhanced cleaning, encouraging ill employees to stay home, placement of hand sanitizer throughout, and active surveillance of food service individuals for illness

EPIDEMIOLOGY SO FAR

- 6 cases adenovirus positive
 - 33% female, age range 45-62 (mean 53)
 - Residence: Delta (3), Marquette (2), Menominee (1)
 - Cough, SOB, fever, hypoxic respiratory failure
 - Most w/ comorbidities and tobacco use



• HAN sent

EXTERNAL NOTIFICATIONS - FRIDAY, AUGUST 31 -

- Email only, also sent to WI contacts (both within and separate from system)
- Provider letters sent
 - Include adeno in differential, report hospitalized cases
- LHJ and MDHHS discuss and decide on media release, casino will be named
 - Call from TV media about HAN content prior to media release





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SHARED LINE LISTS

- September 6 begin sharing line lists between MDHHS and LHJ
 - Lack of appropriate case detail fields
 - CDC results not sent into MDSS
 - In hindsight, OMS would have worked well for this
 - Secure
 - LHJ and MDHHS access

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ADENOVIRUS CLUSTER – CONTINUED...

- September 5 Adenovirus-14 confirmed by CDC in 2 cases
- September 10 notified of first death (Sept. 7)
- September 20 Up to 13 cases + for adenovirus (4 Marquette)
- September 26 media release to update on cluster and death
- September 27 second death due to adenovirus
- October 3 LHJ/MDHHS call to review cases, discuss media release
 - No change in guidance, decided not to do another release

OUTPATIENT TESTING September 4 – outpatient testing started at UPHS and OSF 17 outpatient positive for Adv-14

- Age range 5-75 years (mean 26.8)
- Specimen collection date: 9/1-10/16
- 59% of cases noted active or passive tobacco exposure



Outpatient Cases by Specimen Collection Date

ADENOVIRUS CLUSTER – CONTINUED...

October 10 – Additional CDC results

- 31 total specimens tested (14 inpatient/17 outpatient)
 - 25 positive for Adeno-14, 5 negative, 1 Adeno-2
 - All Marquette county residents negative so far 2 were part of initial cluster
- October 17 after 3 weeks with no new cases, 2 new suspect cases admitted.
- October 18 Provider and media release sent out
- October 22 third death reported. New suspect cases are adenovirus positive, Marquette residents, and have no association with the casino
- November 5 Final call with CDC



ACTIVE SURVEILLANCE – LATE OCTOBER

October 25 – direct contact to neighboring hospitals regarding adenovirus testing and any positives

DICKINSON

7 tests run in September, all negative

PORTAGE

1 negative, had been sent to Marquette, no in house adeno test

SCHOOLCRAFT

positive case in child
 Tested on Biofire,
 unknown how many total
 tests were run

EPIDEMIOLOGY FINAL

- 14 inpatient positive for Adv-14
 - 57% female, age range 45-76 years (mean 57.5)
 - Onsets: 8/12/18-10/21/18
 - 3 deaths, 7 ICU
 - 8/14 (57%) w/ casino exposure, 6 were employees
 - 11/14 (79%) known tobacco use
 - Residence: Delta (10), Marquette (3), Menominee (1)



Casino Exposure Other

nfectious

SUMMARY

- Successes
 - Communication great throughout
 - IC nurses were essential and excellent at keeping public health updated
 - Multi-agency: PHDM, MCHD, MDHHS, BoL, Tribal, CDC
- Challenges
 - Changing Case Definition
 - Surveillance of a non-reportable, sharing line lists (use OMS)
 - Role of the casino in transmission?
 - Frequency of public updates? Potential to further alarm public without benefit

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