

NORTHZONE OUTBREAK MANAGEMENT- FACILITY

Respiratory/Influenza-Like-Illness (ILI) and/or Gastrointestinal (GI) Illness Surveillance
(*Supportive Living / Home Living / Designated Assisted Living*)

EARLY IDENTIFICATION OF OUTBREAK – FRONT LINE STAFF have noticed a client(s) and/or staff member(s) with unusual or unexpected respiratory and/or gastrointestinal illness symptoms (for example – nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, cough, fever). **Sheet B** (Early Outbreak Recognition Checklist – Frontline staff)

FRONTLINE STAFF:

- **NOTIFIES SUPERVISOR-Immediately**
- **CONTINUE, AND ENHANCE** infection prevention and control measures to reduce spread of possible infection.

This includes:

Strict Hand Hygiene
Restriction of Symptomatic Clients/Residents

There are 2 or more people with similar ILI symptoms in a 7 day period, symptoms include: Sudden fever greater than 38 degrees, cough, sore throat, joint pain, muscle aches, severe exhaustion (Note: In persons 65 and older, fever may not be prominent.)

There are 2 or more people with initial onset of similar GI symptoms within one 48 hour period, symptoms may include: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain or tenderness, one episode of bloody diarrhea.

SUPERVISOR/MANAGER:

INITIATE AN INVESTIGATION to determine the scope of the concern. To assist Public Health in better determining the need for further investigation and/or recommendations.

>**IMPLEMENT IPC measures:** NZ OBM **Sheet C**(Initial Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Measures)

>**COMPLETE:** NZ OBM **Sheet D** (Early Outbreak Recognition Checklist- Site Managers, Lodge Manager, Agency Supervisor)

>**COMPLETE:** NZ OBM **Sheet E** (Public Health Line List)

>**CONTACT** Alberta Health Services (AHS) Public Health

During regular office hours, call Local Public Health _____ **OR if**
unavailable call 1-855-513-7530.

Evenings/weekends/stat holidays, call 1-800-732-8981 and ask for Public Health On-Call.