## RESPIRATORY OUTBREAK MANAGEMENT TEAM (OMT) MEETING AGENDA

Date and Time:		
Outbreak #:	2270-	
Facility Name:		
Investigator's Name and Designation:		
Investigator's Signature and Initials:		
Introduction:		
Round table intro Circulate attendance sheet		
Current issues that need to be discussed:		



1. Line List	Case definition
	☐ A case definition is developed for each outbreak and modified as necessary to ensure that the majority of cases are captured
	Current case definition:
	Epicurve
	<ul><li>☐ # III staff: # III resident:</li><li>☐ Total # staff: Total # residents:</li></ul>
	□ Total # Starr: Total # residents:
	Submit daily
	☐ Fax the line list daily (except on weekends) before noon to York Region Public Health (YRPH) at 905-660-4889 until the outbreak is declared over
2. Outbreak Affected	Currently affected area(s):
Area(s)	☐ All residents and staff from the affected area(s) should avoid contact with
	residents and staff in the remainder of the facility  The outbreak will be declared facility-wide if access to and from the affected
	area(s) cannot be restricted
3. Laboratory	Specimen collection
	☐ Maximum of four nasopharyngeal swabs (NP) available per outbreak
	☐ Discuss collection of specimens with primary investigator prior to collection
	☐ Collect specimen within 48 hours of symptom onset of the resident
	☐ Instructions for specimen collection are on pg. 68 of MOHLTC Control of Respiratory Infection Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Homes, 2018
	☐ A laboratory requisition will be provided with the current outbreak number. Do
	not use for any other purposes
	☐ Ensure that NP swabs and lab requisitions are filled out with at least two matching resident identifiers (i.e. name, DOB)
	☐ Ensure that NP swabs are not expired
	To the control of the
	☐ Have specimen(s) been collected?
	Specimen pickup
	☐ Contact your primary investigator at 1-877-464-9675 ext Monday -
	Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm, or at 905-953-6478 after hours once specimens are collected
	Specimen results
	□ Organism identified:
4. General Outbreak	☐ Ensure submission of immunization rates to YRPH at the start of the outbreak
Control Measures	☐ Monitor residents and staff for symptoms daily
	☐ Reinforce effective hand hygiene and use of proper personal protective
	equipment (PPE)
	☐ Post outbreak signage appropriately

5. Residents	III residents
	☐ Should stay in their rooms, and be on droplet/contact precautions until 5 days after the onset of acute illness or until symptoms have resolved (whichever is shorter)
	☐ Should have their on-site programs such as physiotherapy and foot care in their rooms
	Well residents
	☐ Should be cared for using routine practices
	☐ Should be carefully monitored for symptoms
	Activities
	☐ Discontinue group outings from the affected unit/floor
	☐ Reschedule communal meetings on the affected unit/floor
	☐ Meetings/activities may proceed in non-outbreak affected areas
	☐ Restrict meetings or activities in the entire home if the outbreak is declared in the entire facility
	☐ Restrict visits by outside groups, such as entertainers, volunteer organizations and community groups, as deemed necessary
	☐ Ensure there is no interaction between the affected floor/unit and participants
	in on-site child-care or other day programs
	Medical appointments
	☐ At the discretion of and after consultation with the treating physician, non-
	urgent appointments may be rescheduled, with the consent of the resident/substitute decision maker
6. Transfers	Transfer to hospital
	☐ Before sending an ill resident to the hospital, the facility should notify the receiving healthcare facility that the home is experiencing an outbreak
	Transfer to another LTCH
	☐ Symptomatic resident transfers (from anywhere in the facility) to another LTCH are not recommended during an outbreak. Exceptions of this recommendation are to be discussed on a case by case basis
7. Repatriation	New admission and return of non-cases
	☐ The admission of new residents and return of residents who have not been line-listed is generally not advised during an outbreak (Admission of an unexposed resident into an institution that is experiencing an outbreak may put them at risk and may lengthen the duration of the outbreak, with an impact to the larger resident population)
	☐ Refer to Appendix 10 – Transfer and Return Algorithm for Use During Outbreaks (pg. 77 of MOHLTC Control of Respiratory Infection Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Homes, 2018)
	Return of cases
	☐ The return of residents, including those from hospital, who were line-listed is permitted as long as appropriate accommodation and care is provided (Working assumption is that the resident has been exposed to the causative organism and is immune)
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8. Staff, Students,	Reporting
and Volunteers	☐ Staff, students, volunteers, or contracted service workers with an acute respiratory infection should not enter the home and should report immediately any respiratory illness to their supervisor who shall report to the employee health nurse or the infection control practitioner
	Exclusion
	☐ Staff, students, or volunteers with any respiratory symptoms should not return to work/provide services in any health care setting for 5 days from the onset of symptoms or until symptoms have resolved whichever is shorter
	Working at other facilities
	□ During non-influenza outbreaks, well staff, students, and volunteers may be able to work/provide services at other facilities based on OMT and local decision making. (pg. 44 of MOHLTC Control of Respiratory Infection Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Homes, 2018)
	Cohort staffing
	☐ Attempts should be made to minimize movement of staff between affected and non-affected areas
9. Visitors and	Notification
Private Pay	☐ Encourage immunization during outbreaks
Caregivers	Advise visitors/private pay caregivers of the potential risk of acquiring illness within the facility, and re-introduction of illness into the facility
	III visitors/private pay caregivers
	☐ Not permitted to enter the facility, unless under extenuating circumstances
	(i.e. resident palliative care)
	☐ Under these circumstances, they should perform hand hygiene and wear appropriate PPE as required
	Well visitors/private pay caregivers
	Check in at the nursing station before entering the room
	☐ Who are not going to be providing direct care to an ill resident:
	<ul> <li>Consider wearing PPE to avoid getting sick</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Perform hand hygiene as required</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Avoid communal areas and interacting with other residents</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Visit ill residents only in their rooms</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Visit only one resident and leave the home immediately after the visit</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>If multiple residents are in the home but in different locations, visit the</li> </ul>
	well residents (non-outbreak cases) first
	☐ Who are going to be providing direct care to an ill resident:
	<ul> <li>In addition to the above recommendations, wear appropriate PPE</li> </ul>
10. Confirmed	Begin antivirals quickly
Influenza	☐ Obtain antiviral orders quickly, if not already done
Outbreaks	☐ Prophylaxis should begin as soon as possible to stop the progression of the outbreak
	☐ Treatment is most effective when started within 48 hours of symptom onset

	Residents
	<ul> <li>□ Offer influenza vaccine to unimmunized residents</li> <li>□ Laboratory confirmed cases should complete antiviral treatment</li> <li>□ Non laboratory confirmed cases should complete antiviral treatment, followed by prophylaxis until the outbreak is declared over</li> </ul>
	☐ Well residents should be on antiviral prophylaxis until the outbreak is declared over, regardless of immunization status
	<ul> <li>□ If a resident taking antiviral prophylaxis develops symptoms of influenza-like illness, the dose should be increased to the recommended treatment dose</li> <li>□ Treatment decisions for the residents are the responsibility of the attending</li> </ul>
	physicians  Ill residents should be encouraged to remain in their rooms for the duration of antiviral treatment
	Unimmunized staff
	<ul> <li>☐ Facility should keep a current list of employed unimmunized staff</li> <li>☐ They should not be providing resident care or conduct activities where they have a potential to acquire or transmit influenza</li> </ul>
	☐ Staff from the affected facility/unit should be on antiviral prophylaxis until the outbreak is declared over
	<ul> <li>The facility may send employees home if they are not taking antiviral medication</li> </ul>
	☐ Staff from the affected facility/unit not receiving antiviral prophylaxis, should wait at least three days (one incubation period) prior to working in a non-outbreak facility, to ensure they are not incubating influenza
	☐ There are no restrictions for staff on antiviral medication, given they are asymptomatic and compliant with the receiving facility's policies and public health recommendations
	Newly immunized staff
	□ Newly immunized staff should be on antiviral prophylaxis for 14 days after vaccine was received
	☐ Those not taking antiviral prophylaxis may return to work 14 days following vaccination
	Immunized staff
	☐ Immunized staff can work without interruption
11. Declaring	Criteria to declare the outbreak over
Outbreak Over	The time before which an outbreak can be declared over is depends on:
	<ul> <li>□ Causative organism (incubation period + period of communicability)</li> <li>□ Whether the last case was a resident or a staff member</li> </ul>
	☐ If no organism is identified, the Influenza "8-day rule" is used
12. Communication	Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm
	☐ Primary investigator 1-877-464-9675 ext
	After hours, weekends and statutory holidays
	☐ On-call staff 905-953-6478

Retirement Homes Only		
Issues Related To Anti-viral Medication/Influenza Vaccine Distribution		
1. Physician	Do you have a medical director (MD)? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
	Name of medical director:	
	If answer YES, skip to section 2	
	If no, do you have a list of residents' MDs?	
	If no, when do you plan to obtain the list (yyyy-mm-dd)	
2. List of Residents	Do you have a list of residents under the care of facility MD? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
	Number of residents under the care of facility MD:	
3. How to Order	Is your facility aware of the process of how to order Influenza vaccines through YRPH?	
Influenza Vaccines from YRPH	□ YES □ NO	
HOIII TREIT	If no, please visit www.york.ca/vaccineinventory or call ext. 74033 for more information	
4.0.1.1.1.1	on how to apply for this process.	
4. Ordering Influenza Vaccines	Will your facility order Influenza vaccine through YRPH? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
Vaccines	If no, when do you plan to order (yyyy-mm-dd)	
5. Retirement Home	Will your pharmacy provide antiviral medication during an outbreak if prescribed by	
Pharmacy	the community MDs?   YES   NO	
	If no, do you have alternate arrangements made?	
6. Consent for	Is consent for antiviral medication obtained for all residents for the facility MD?	
Antiviral	PES DINO	
Medication	Residents with a community MD should complete and return an antiviral consent form to the facility.	
	Discuss when this can be achieved (date - on or before October 30 - yyyy-mm-dd)	
	If consent is not received, the facility should follow up with the resident/or substitute decision maker.	
7. Creatinine	Does your pharmacy require creatinine clearance on residents with known renal	
Clearance	impairment before providing antiviral? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
	If yes, do you have creatinine clearance on these residents? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
	If no, record the proposed date for completion. (yyyy-mm-dd)	
	in no, record the proposed date for completion. (yyyy-min-dd)	
	Note: Creatinine clearance is not required for those who are not known to have renal impairment.	
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