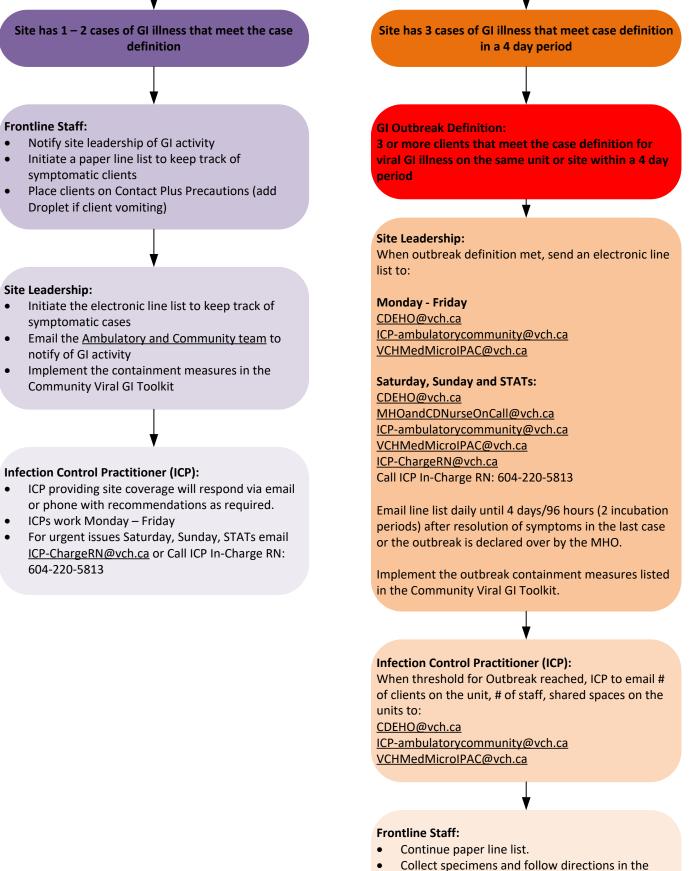


Infection Prevention and Control

Community Gastrointestinal (GI) Case Communication Algorithm

GI Case Definition:

- 2 or more episodes of diarrhea (Bristol stool chart 6 or 7) within a 24 hour period, above what is considered normal for that individual (and not related to laxative use) <u>OR</u>
- 2 or more episodes of vomiting within a 24 hour period OR
- 1 episode each of vomiting and diarrhea within a 24 hour period <u>OR</u>
- 1 episode of bloody diarrhea OR
- Lab confirmation of a known enteric pathogen with at least one symptom compatible with a GI infection (see above)



- Collect specimens and follow directions in the Community Viral GI Toolkit to send specimens to Vancouver General Hospital Laboratory.
- Once organism identified in 2 separate specimens, no further specimens required.