

## LTC Viral Respiratory Illness (VRI) Case and Cluster Containment Toolkit Leadership

VRI Case Definition:		
New or Worsening Cough <u>or</u> Fever <b>PLUS</b> one of the following symptoms:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chills</li> <li>• Shortness of Breath</li> <li>• Runny or Stuffy Nose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sore Throat, Hoarseness</li> <li>• Difficulty Swallowing</li> <li>• Swollen or Tender Glands in the Neck</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loss of Taste or Smell</li> <li>• Body Aches/Headache</li> <li>• Severe Weakness or Fatigue</li> </ul>

One resident identified with new symptoms consistent with VRI	
<b>Notification</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When there is one or more resident with VRI symptoms, initiate an <a href="#">electronic line list</a>. Update and send Monday to Friday excluding weekends and stats by 1400 to:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="mailto:ICP-LTC@vch.ca">ICP-LTC@vch.ca</a></li> <li>○ <a href="mailto:Covid19@vch.ca">Covid19@vch.ca</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Password protect the spreadsheet prior to sending via email (instructions in line list)</li> <li>• Have resident vaccine status available; please provide date of last COVID and influenza vaccines.</li> <li>• ICP will return the electronic line list with information re: case definition and COVID 19 treatment assessment.</li> <li>• Email questions to: <a href="mailto:ICP-LTC@vch.ca">ICP-LTC@vch.ca</a></li> <li>• Review <a href="#">VRI Communication Algorithm</a></li> </ul>
<b>Additional Precautions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Place symptomatic residents on <a href="#">Droplet and Contact Precautions</a></li> <li>• Maintain precautions for:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ For <b>INFLUENZA/COVID 19</b> when <b>5 days</b> have passed from onset of symptoms and there is symptom improvement and resolution of fever without the use of fever reducing medication</li> <li>▪ Place close contacts of residents with laboratory confirmed Influenza on Droplet and Contact precautions for <b>3 days</b></li> <li>▪ For <b>RSV</b> when <b>7-days</b> post symptom onset and 24-hours after symptoms resolve.</li> <li>▪ For <b>residents testing negative</b>, remove from precautions <b>24 hours</b> after improvement in symptoms and resolution of fever without the use of fever reducing medication</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Place <a href="#">Droplet and Contact Precautions</a> and <a href="#">doffing sign</a> at entrance to door in a visible location. Place <a href="#">doffing sign</a> in the doffing zone inside the room</li> <li>• Set up room according to <a href="#">Droplet and Contact Precautions in LTC</a></li> <li>• Perform a daily wellness check of all residents.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ If any residents are unwell, they should be clinically assessed and tested if meet VRI threshold</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Identify residents on CPAP or BIPAP for when VRI-suspected or confirmed and <a href="#">performing AGMP</a> place on <a href="#">Airborne and Contact precautions</a> for the duration of the AGMP               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Draw the curtain for the duration of the procedure for residents in multi bed rooms</li> <li>▪ Close door for the duration of the procedure for residents in a single room</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Once the AGMP is completed airborne precautions sign can be removed (no air clearance settle time is required)</li> <li>Ensure there is a care plan for <a href="#">Manage wandering residents</a></li> </ul>
<b>Covid 19 + Residents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure COVID-19 lab confirmed cases assessed by MRP for anti-viral treatment (e.g. Paxlovid)</li> <li>Ensure treatment available and offered to cases</li> </ul>
<b>VRI Testing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collect specimens only for residents that meet case definition unless directed by MHO, Medical Microbiologist or delegate.</li> <li><a href="#">Viral Respiratory Illness Specimen Collection</a></li> <li>Collect <a href="#">PCR nasopharyngeal swab or swish and gargle</a> Owned and operated, contracted and private sites to send specimens to <u>Vancouver General Hospital Laboratory</u> Medical Microbiology and Infection Control JPPN Room 1100 Vancouver General Hospital 910 West 10th Ave Vancouver, BC</li> <li>Established courier: _____</li> <li>Follow requirements for Transport of Dangerous Goods</li> </ul>
<b>Masking</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow Public Health guidance on masking</li> </ul>
<b>Group Activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group activities to continue on unit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Symptomatic residents not to participate in group activities.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Asymptomatic residents may go to other units to participate in activities.</li> </ul>
<b>Discontinuing Droplet and Contact Precautions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinate an “additional precautions clean” with the residents having a bath/shower when Droplet and Contact precautions are discontinued.</li> <li>Remove Droplet and Contact signage when environmental cleaning is completed.</li> <li>Identify Droplet and Contact precautions have been discontinued on line list</li> </ul>

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## VRI Cluster: Two or more healthcare-associated VRI (excluding influenza) cases identified on a single unit in separate rooms within a 7 day period

<b>Notification and Line List</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Send an <a href="#">electronic line list</a> of symptomatic residents’ update send daily by 1400 (Monday to Friday excluding weekends and stats) to: <a href="mailto:ICP-LTC@vch.ca">ICP-LTC@vch.ca</a> <a href="mailto:Covid19@vch.ca">Covid19@vch.ca</a></li> <li>Password protect the spreadsheet prior to sending via email (instructions in line list)</li> <li>Have resident vaccine status available</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ICP will return the electronic line list with information re case definition and treatment options for COVID 19 residents.</li> <li>● Email questions to: <a href="mailto:ICP-LTC@vch.ca">ICP-LTC@vch.ca</a></li> <li>● Review <a href="#">VRI Communication Algorithm</a></li> </ul>
<b>Additional Precautions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Place symptomatic residents on <a href="#">Droplet and Contact Precautions</a></li> <li>● Maintain precautions for:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>COVID 19 and influenza</b> when <b>5 days</b> have passed from onset of symptoms and there is symptom improvement and resolution of fever without the use of fever reducing medication</li> <li>▪ <b>RSV</b> when <b>7-days</b> post symptom onset and 24-hours after symptoms resolve.</li> <li>▪ <b>Residents testing negative</b>, remove from precautions <b>24 hours</b> after improvement in symptoms and resolution of fever without the use of fever reducing medication</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Place <a href="#">Droplet and Contact Precautions</a> and <a href="#">Donning sign</a> at entrance to door in a visible location. Place <a href="#">Doffing sign</a> in the doffing zone inside the room</li> <li>● Set up room according to <a href="#">Droplet and Contact Precautions in LTC</a></li> <li>● Perform a daily wellness check of all residents.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ If any residents are unwell, they should be clinically assessed and tested if meet VRI threshold</li> </ul> </li> <li>● If VRI-suspected or confirmed and <a href="#">Performing AGMP</a> place on <a href="#">Airborne and Contact precautions</a> for the duration of the AGMP             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Draw the curtain for the duration of the procedure for residents in multi bed rooms</li> <li>▪ Close door for the duration of the procedure for residents in a single room</li> <li>▪ Once the AGMP is completed airborne precautions sign can be removed (no air clearance settle time is required)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Ensure there is a care plan for <a href="#">Manage wandering residents</a></li> </ul>
<b>Covid 19 + Residents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ensure COVID-19 lab confirmed cases assessed by MRP for anti-viral treatment (e.g. Paxlovid)</li> <li>● Ensure treatment available and offered to cases</li> </ul>
<b>VRI Testing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Collect specimens only for residents that meet case definition unless directed by MHO, Medical Microbiologist or delegate.</li> <li>● <a href="#">Viral Respiratory Illness Specimen Collection</a></li> <li>● Collect <a href="#">PCR nasopharyngeal swab or swish and gargle</a>              Owned and operated, contracted and private sites to send specimens to  <a href="#">Vancouver General Hospital Laboratory</a>              Medical Microbiology and Infection Control              JPPN Room 1100              Vancouver General Hospital              910 West 10th Ave              Vancouver, BC              V5Z 4E3</li> <li>● If sending more than 20 samples, notify the lab by phone (1-800-992-8801 or 604-875-4577)</li> <li>● Established courier: _____</li> <li>● Follow requirements for Transport of Dangerous Goods</li> </ul>

<b>Communication and Coordination</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Contact ICP if the unit/facility requires an OMT meeting to support when there are 10 or more cases or prior to reaching these thresholds,             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Example: Calls may be scheduled with 10+ active cases of COVID-19 or at any time that the facility needs support</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Schedule internal meetings – identify attendees, admin support and meeting space on site</li> <li>● Identify means of communication with frontline staff and who is responsible (e.g., huddles, communication binders, communication boards, staff notices or emails, IPC Key messages)</li> </ul>
<b>Admissions and Transfers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Do not admit or move asymptomatic residents into rooms on Droplet and Contact precautions unless the resident has recently recovered from COVID/RSV (lab confirmed)</li> </ul>
<b>Residents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Restrict movement of symptomatic residents outside of their rooms as much as possible. Follow care plans for wandering residents on precautions. Cohorting cases as per Key Messages</li> <li>● Provide tray service (in room meals) for residents on Droplet and Contact precautions</li> <li>● Invite symptomatic residents to mask in common areas and when they must leave their room</li> <li>● Encourage diligence in hand washing and use of alcohol-based hand rub (ABHR)</li> <li>● For residents who are asymptomatic, review immunizations and offer vaccine to those not yet immunized when vaccine is available</li> <li>● For residents transfers to emergency/acute care, notify paramedics of VRI in the facility.</li> <li>● Set up in room garbage, laundry and linen laundry hampers</li> <li>● Ensure meals and beverages are covered in transport</li> <li>● Ensure over bed tables available for residents to dine in their room where needed</li> <li>● Consider the need for extra kitchen staff for meal plating for locations with serveries</li> <li>● For sites using the new model of care for breakfast (self serve) develop a plan for tray service for breakfast as needed</li> </ul>
<b>Staff Cases</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Staff who develop symptoms at home to follow up with their own healthcare provider</li> <li>● VCH staff to report work absence to VCH Absence Call Line (1-866-924-4297).</li> <li>● Staff to notify any other employers about cluster and advise them the activity in the home.</li> <li>● Non-VCH staff report to: _____</li> <li>● Symptomatic HCWs should remain at home until they feel well enough to return to work (e.g. symptoms resolving and fever (if present) improved without the use of fever reducing medication).</li> <li>● Staff should only be tested if they meet the provincial ‘test to treat’ criteria and are eligible for treatment.</li> </ul>
<b>Enhanced Cleaning</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Contracted/Private sites to coordinate enhanced cleaning of frequently touched surfaces to twice daily on affected units with Housekeeping staff.</li> <li>● Second cleaning/disinfection preferably 6-8 hours following the initial clean</li> <li>● ICP to request enhanced cleaning for Owned and Operated sites</li> </ul>
<b>PPE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Follow <a href="#">Donning</a> and <a href="#">Doffing</a> procedures for PPE use. Reinforce staff to their use point of care risk assessment for PPE use.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use N95 respirator for confirmed or suspected cases when performing an <a href="#">aerosol generating medical procedure</a> (CPAP/BIPAP/ Nebulizer therapy)</li> </ul>
<b>Masking</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow Public Health guidance on masking</li> </ul>
<b>Supplies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify where extra supplies are kept: _____</li> <li><a href="#">Set-up PPE carts as per document.</a></li> <li>Ensure there is an adequate supply of: gowns, gloves, masks, eye protection, disinfectant wipes and ABHR</li> <li>Assign restocking of supplies of the PPE cart and twice daily clean of the PPE cart</li> </ul>
<b>Visitors</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Follow current guidance for visitors to LTC</a></li> <li>Support visitors with donning and doffing.</li> <li>Symptomatic visitors should not enter the facility unless for compassionate or exceptional circumstances.</li> <li>Notify families/friends of residents of the respiratory illness cluster and potential risk</li> <li>Any adjustments to visitor protocols are at the discretion of the MHO</li> </ul>
<b>Staff Break Rooms</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure there are disinfectant wipes and ABHR for staff to use</li> <li>Consider dedicated unit dining for staff</li> </ul>
<b>Group Activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Residents on Droplet and Contact precautions not to attend group activities</li> <li>Asymptomatic resident may participate in other unit activities unless alternate recommendations provided by MHO.</li> <li>Close contacts should not attend other units activities</li> <li>Consider discontinuing or decreasing the size of group activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have residents perform hand hygiene at the beginning and end of activities</li> <li>Clean and disinfect equipment used during the activity (avoid using shared items)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Further restriction of group activities at the discretion of the MHO or IPAC</li> </ul>
<b>Discontinuing Droplet and Contact Precautions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinate an “additional precautions clean” with the residents having a bath/shower when Droplet and Contact precautions are discontinued</li> <li>Remove Droplet and Contact signage when environmental cleaning is completed</li> <li>Identify Droplet and Contact precautions have been discontinued on line list</li> </ul>
<b>Supplies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Order replacement viral specimen kits by emailing the updated Sample container order form to <a href="mailto:kitorders@hssbc.ca">kitorders@hssbc.ca</a> or by faxing a request to BCCDC at 604-707-2606</li> <li>Owned and Operated sites through E Pro: Order # 00090607</li> </ul>

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## Influenza Outbreak Definition:

**Two or more confirmed cases of influenza on a unit in a 7-day period**

<b>Notification and Line List</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Manager or designate to email <a href="#">electronic line list</a> of residents and staff, 7 days per week by 1400 to:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="#">Outbreak Management Team Email Distribution List</a></li> <li>○ <a href="mailto:Covid19@vch.ca">Covid19@vch.ca</a></li> <li>○ <a href="mailto:ICP-LTC@vch.ca">ICP-LTC@vch.ca</a></li> <li>○ <a href="mailto:LTCEOC@vch.ca">LTCEOC@vch.ca</a></li> <li>○ <a href="mailto:VCHMedMicroIPAC@vch.ca">VCHMedMicroIPAC@vch.ca</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● ICP to email MHO when outbreak definition met.</li> <li>● Review <a href="#">VRI Communication Algorithm</a></li> </ul>
<b>Additional Precautions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Place symptomatic residents on <a href="#">Droplet and Contact precautions</a></li> <li>● Maintain precautions:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ For <b>Influenza +</b>, until <b>5 days</b> have passed from onset of symptoms and there is symptom improvement and resolution of fever without the use of fever reducing medication.</li> <li>▪ Place close contacts on Droplet and Contact precautions for <b>3 days</b></li> <li>▪ For residents <b>testing negative</b>, remove from precautions <b>24 hours</b> after improvement in symptoms and resolution of fever without the use of fever reducing medication</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Place <a href="#">Droplet and Contact precautions</a> and <a href="#">donning sign</a> at entrance to door in a visible location. Place <a href="#">doffing sign</a> in the doffing zone inside the room</li> <li>● Set up room according to <a href="#">Droplet and Contact Precautions in LTC</a></li> <li>● Do not admit or move asymptomatic residents into rooms on Droplet and Contact precautions unless the resident has recently recovered from lab confirmed Influenza</li> <li>● Perform a daily wellness check of all residents.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ If any residents are unwell, they should be clinically assessed and tested if meet VRI threshold</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Place <a href="#">close contacts</a> on Droplet and Contact precautions for <b>3 days</b></li> <li>● If Influenza suspected or confirmed and <a href="#">performing AGMP</a> place on <a href="#">Airborne and Contact precautions</a> for the duration of the AGMP             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Draw the curtain for the duration of the procedure for residents in multi bed rooms</li> <li>▪ Close door for the duration of the procedure for residents in a single room</li> <li>▪ Once the AGMP is completed airborne precautions sign can be removed (no air clearance settle time is required)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Review care plan for <a href="#">Manage wandering residents</a></li> </ul>
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<b>Outbreak Declaration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Two or more cases</b> of influenza in a <b>seven-day</b> period is the threshold for influenza outbreak declaration. The outbreak declaration remains at the discretion of the MHO</li> <li>● Director of care or delegate outbreak management team leader to schedule regular meetings of the OMT</li> <li>● Cohort staff to work only on affected area, where resources permit. If cohorting not possible, staff are encouraged to attend to asymptomatic individuals first, before moving on to symptomatic individuals</li> <li>● Exclude volunteers/students/companions unless required for operational purposes. Discuss with public health. If allowed to work, use appropriate PPE, follow routine practices, and minimize contact with isolated residents</li> </ul>
<b>Group Activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No group activities on affected unit</li> <li>● Asymptomatic resident may not leave the affected unit to participate in off unit activities</li> </ul>
<b>Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Notify <a href="#">Outbreak Management team</a> of the outbreak status</li> <li>● Outbreak meetings to be called if MHO, site or ICP determines the need for a meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ ICP to schedule, chair and take minutes for outbreak meetings</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Notify non-facility staff, professionals, and other service providers of the Public Health recommendations and to communicate any closures, cancelled services, and/or temporary restrictions</li> <li>● These may include volunteers, clergy, Handy DART, oxygen service, BC Ambulance, paid companions, students, food service staff, and others</li> <li>● Identify means of communication with frontline staff and who is responsible (e.g., huddles, communication binders, communication boards, staff notices or emails, IPC Key messages)</li> </ul>
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<b>Admissions and Transfers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restrict admissions, transfers, dining room meals and group activities at the discretion of the MHO</li> <li>New admissions and re-admissions/transfers can be considered on a case by case basis with the MHO</li> <li>Do not admit or move asymptomatic residents into rooms on Droplet and Contact precautions unless the resident has recently recovered from lab confirmed Influenza</li> </ul>
<b>Supplies/PPE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extra supplies kept here: _____</li> <li><a href="#">Set-up PPE carts as per document.</a></li> <li>Ensure there is an adequate supply of: gowns, gloves, masks, eye protection, disinfectant wipes and ABHR</li> <li>Assign restocking of supplies of the PPE cart and twice daily clean of the PPE cart,</li> <li>Use N95 respirator for confirmed or suspected cases when performing an <a href="#">aerosol generating medical procedure</a> (CPAP/BIPAP/ Nebulizer therapy)</li> </ul>
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<b>Staff Break Rooms</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure there are disinfectant wipes and ABHR for staff to use</li> <li>Dedicate unit specific break rooms where possible</li> </ul>
<b>Influenza Prophylaxis and Treatment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If <b>OSELTAMIVIR (Tamiflu)</b> is advised by the MHO, call Pharmacy/Director of Care to initiate MRP orders:  Name: _____  Contact #: _____ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have current weights ready to fax to them</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Creatinine levels should have already been sent to pharmacy (if not, give first dose of Tamiflu and order STAT creatinine for subsequent dosing)</li> <li>▪ Physician Pre-printed Orders for Vaccines &amp; Tamiflu</li> <li>▪ If a LTCF is in urgent need of OSELTAMIVIR (Tamiflu) and their community pharmacy is unable to supply the antiviral due to supply challenges, please contact Lower Mainland Pharmacy Services (LMPS) at <a href="mailto:PHAFHAPharmacyPurchasers@fraserhealth.ca">PHAFHAPharmacyPurchasers@fraserhealth.ca</a>.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ They are open 7:00 am to 2:45 pm Mondays to Fridays.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Discontinuing Droplet and Contact Precautions</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Coordinate an “additional precautions clean” with the residents having a bath/shower when Droplet and Contact precautions are discontinued</li> <li>● Remove Droplet and Contact signage when environmental cleaning is completed</li> <li>● Identify Droplet and Contact precautions have been discontinued on line list</li> </ul>
<p><b>Calling Outbreak Over</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● MHO will consider calling the outbreak over for Influenza outbreaks when <b>6 days</b> have passed since onset of symptoms in the last case</li> <li>● Discontinue antiviral medication</li> <li>● Order replacement viral specimen kits by emailing the updated Sample container order form to <a href="mailto:kitorders@hssbc.ca">kitorders@hssbc.ca</a> or by faxing a request to BCCDC at 604-707-2606</li> <li>● Owned and Operated sites through E Pro: Order # 00090607</li> <li>● Participate in the debrief with your facility to evaluate the management of the outbreak</li> </ul>