

## Influenza Overview for Healthcare Providers in Virginia 2017-2018

In an effort to track influenza in our area, we ask that you please email weekly to

[REDACTED]

Information to be included: (See Surveillance section of attached table)

1. Number of seasonal influenza cases per week, (patients' name are NOT to be included)
  - a. Include number of Type A, Type B, or Unknown cases
  - b. Include if not tested, but prescribed treatment for flu.
    - i. For example: a family of 6 with similar symptoms, only one family member is tested (positive) but all 6 are treated.
  - c. Reporting period is Sunday through Saturday.
    - i. For example: October 29 – November 4 numbers would be reported on Monday, November 6.
2. Influenza-associated deaths in children <18 years of age
3. Suspected or confirmed cases of novel influenza A virus infection

If you are already reporting, please note the new point of contact above. Again, thank you for partnering with us to help care for the health of our communities.

### Virginia Department of Health Morbidity Report (Epi-1)

Also attached is the Virginia Department of Health Confidential Morbidity Report, also known as, form Epi-1. This is the form that is to be used to report diseases on the Virginia Reportable Disease List included in this packet. When appropriate, please complete as much of the form as possible and fax it to 540-574-5214 within the time frames listed on the Disease list. This form can also be found at: <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/content/uploads/sites/3/2016/03/Epi1.pdf>

Additional information for disease fact sheets, reporting regulations, reportable disease surveillance data, etc. can be found at: <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/surveillance-and-investigation/>

If you have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact one of the local epidemiology nurses, [REDACTED]