

OUTBREAK LINE LISTS

A line list helps organize information during an outbreak investigation. The data points will help determine if the individual meets the case definition, and how many people may be involved in the outbreak. Update and submit the line list daily to ICP/designate. This table is not a legal document and does not become a part of the chart.

A line list may include:

- Case names
- Identifiers (e.g., PHIN, date of birth, unit and room number)
- · Symptoms being monitored
- · Date of symptom onset
- · Date Additional Precautions implemented and discontinued
- Outbreak code
- Date of specimen collection
- Specimen type (i.e., nasopharyngeal swab)
- Results
- · Any relevant outcomes

Here are some general tips on how to fill out a line list (paper or electronic version)

- 1. Complete line list with all information on cases found on unit/area
- 2. Notify IP&C/designate
- 3. Continue to complete active surveillance for new cases with similar symptoms
- 4. Continue to add updates and populate the existing line list daily with new information and send to IP&C/designate. You only need to populate one line list/unit/area/facility as directed by ICP.

An example of an Outbreak Line List can be found here.