

## Appendix C: Ontario Influenza Activity Report for the 2016–17 season

**Public health Units:** Please email the "Activity Report" to: [cd@oahpp.ca](mailto:cd@oahpp.ca) every **Tuesday** by 4:00 p.m. year round to ensure your PHU's data is included in the *weekly Ontario Respiratory Pathogen Bulletin* and accurate Ontario data is included in *FluWatch*.

Public Health Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Public Health Unit Master No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Reporting week\* From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please note dates must correspond to surveillance weeks (Sunday to Saturday) in the *Ontario Respiratory Pathogen Bulletin*

### PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT SURVEILLANCE INFORMATION

Have there been laboratory-confirmed cases of influenza reported during this week?  Yes  No

If yes, number of laboratory-confirmed influenza cases reported this week: \_\_\_\_\_

Have there been laboratory-confirmed influenza outbreaks declared or still active during this week?  Yes  No

If yes, number of new or ongoing laboratory-confirmed influenza outbreaks with two or more cases in total (based on aggregate case counts which include residents and staff): \_\_\_\_\_

### Definitions Influenza Outbreak in an institution:

An institution (hospitals operating under the Public Hospitals Act, long-term care homes, facilities operating under the former *Developmental Services Act*, retirement homes etc.) with: Two cases of acute respiratory tract illness, one of which is laboratory-confirmed.

**Note:** Cases can include residents/patients and/or staff. Reporting by retirement homes is not required under the HPPA, although activity in these settings is used as an indicator of influenza activity and should be entered into iPHIS if information is available.

### ACTIVITY THIS WEEK (Please mark most appropriate influenza activity level with an "X")

- 1= No activity:** no laboratory-confirmed cases of influenza reported and no ongoing laboratory-confirmed institutional influenza outbreaks
- 2= Sporadic:** at least one laboratory-confirmed case of influenza\* with no ongoing laboratory-confirmed institutional influenza outbreaks
- 3= Localized:** at least one ongoing laboratory-confirmed influenza outbreak in an institution even if the outbreak was declared over on the first day of the surveillance period
- 4= Widespread:** multiple ongoing laboratory-confirmed influenza outbreaks in institutions separated by some geographic distance, i.e. non-adjacent areas. There is no set number of outbreaks which define "widespread", as this is dependent on the total number of homes and other types of community institutions in your region. For example, if your PHU has 40 long term care homes (LTCHs) and retirement homes, one influenza outbreak in each of two non-adjacent regions (for a total of two outbreaks) would not qualify for "widespread". **Note:** Outbreaks in schools may be considered when assessing activity, see Q7 in 'Appendix B: Ontario Influenza Activity Level Assessment for Appendix C Reporting: Questions and Answers'.

\*Confirmation of influenza within the surveillance area **at any time within the surveillance week**.