

Public Health Ontario (PHO) Update

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PHO Update - 2018 Third Quarter

PIDAC Environmental Cleaning Best Practices

VRE Evidence review and recommendations: stakeholder feedback

Resources

- [2016 Antibiotic-Resistant Organisms \(ARO\) survey report](#)
- **Antimicrobial Stewardship Essentials in LTC:**
 - Primer
 - Checklist
- **Shorter is Smarter** infographic and evidence brief
- *Coming soon:*
- **College of Chiropractors IPAC checklist**

Reprocessing-related Resources

- Checklists:
 - [IPAC Core Elements in Dental Practice Settings](#)
 - [Reprocessing in Dental Practice Setting](#)
- Logs:
 - [Sterilization monitoring log for tabletop steam sterilizers](#)
 - [High-level disinfection log](#)
- [Reprocessing steps](#)
- [Considerations when purchasing a tabletop steam sterilizer](#)
- [Lapses](#)

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Online learning: [*Clostridium difficile* Infection Case Scenarios](#)

Provincial Activities

- [Urinary Tract Infection \(UTI\) Prevention Program for Long-Term Care Homes](#)

Influenza Resources

Much ado about flu



- Rounds: October 11

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11

PHO Rounds: What's New in Flu? 2018/19 season

[More Information](#)

- [Ontario Respiratory Pathogen Bulletin](#)

Respiratory Virus Graphs

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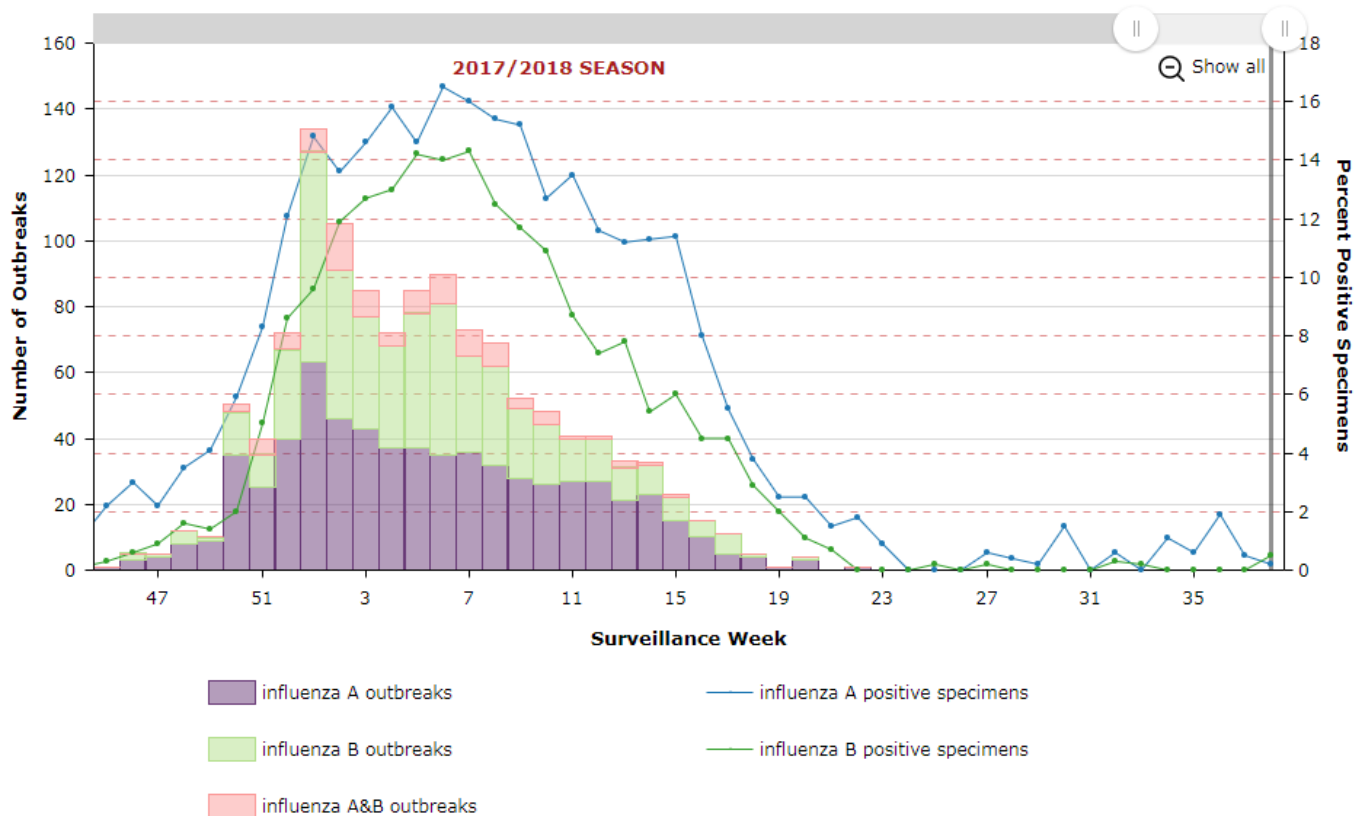
Select Graph Influenza

Stacked

Continuous



Institutional respiratory infection outbreaks and percent positivity of specimens tested for influenza by week








Influenza Activity – By Jurisdiction (all seasons)

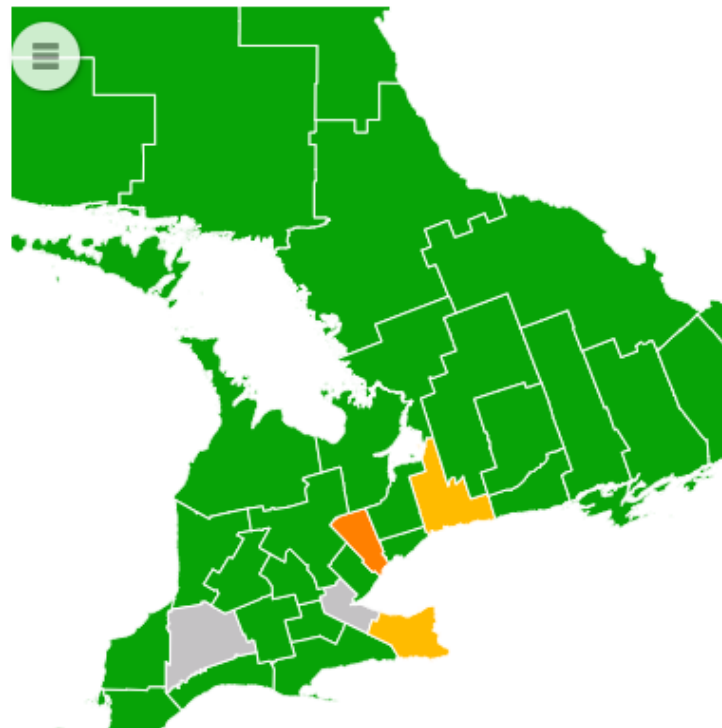
Influenza Activity – By Jurisdiction (all seasons)

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Week 38, 2018

(September 16, 2018 to September 22, 2018)

| Influenza Activity Level | Health unit counts |
|---|--------------------|
|  No Data | 2 |
|  No Activity | 31 |
|  Sporadic | 2 |
|  Localized | 1 |
|  Widespread | 0 |



Health units reporting localized influenza activity

Peel Regional



2011-36

2018-38

Local Activities - Communities of Practice (CoP)

- LTC (3 locations):
 - Oct 10 – [Ajax](#) (including Retirement Homes)
 - Oct 11 – [The Assembly Hall, South Etobicoke](#)
 - Oct 18 - [Bradford](#)
 - Oct 19 – [Peterborough](#)
- Public Health Units: Oct 24 at PHO
- Dialysis: Nov- Brampton Civic Hospital
- Environmental Services and IPAC: TBA
- Hospitals: TBA

Upcoming Education

- Oct 17 – [Halton Region LTC and RH IPAC Seminar](#)
- Oct 31 - IPAC Essentials – at 480 University Avenue
- CIC Prep/Study Groups:
 - IPAC-GTA (Thurs Sept 6-Oct 25 3:30 - 5:00pm by webinar/teleconference)

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