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Weekly Communicable Disease Report October 28th, 2019

Gallatin County Communicable Disease Report Week 43 (10/21/2019 to 10/27/2019)

This section contains diseases diagnosed in Gallatin County, not all diseases were contracted in Gallatin County.

Reportable		Non-Reportable	
9	Chlamydia	28	Strep
1	Animal Bites	6	Mono
1	HCV		
1	Cryptosporidiosis		
1	Gonorrhea		
1	Confirmed Flu A		

PLEASE CALL 406-582-3100 during business hours or after hours 24/7 call Sheriff's Dispatch at 406-582-2100 ext 2 and ask to page the Health Department

Summary of MMWR Week 42 for State of Montana: Ending 10/19/2019

- **Enteric Diseases:** Campylobacteriosis (1), Cryptosporidiosis (4), Giardiasis (4), Salmonellosis (5), Shiga toxin producing *E. coli* [STEC] (1)
- **Vaccine Preventable Diseases:** Influenza hospitalization² (1), Pertussis (1), *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, invasive (2)
- **STD/HIV:** Chlamydia (66), Gonorrhea (19), Syphilis (2), HIV (0)
- **Hepatitis:** Hepatitis B, chronic (1), Hepatitis C, chronic (8)
- **Animal Rabies:** (0), Rabies, post-exposure prophylaxis (4)

Influenza: Flu activity continues to be reported at low levels. This early in the season we encourage clinics to consult with public health when a rapid influenza positive result is obtained in order to encourage confirmatory testing. The MTPHL sent out guidance earlier this month that outlines the process for submitting specimens to the state lab, but if you have any questions or are not a sentinel influenza surveillance provider, please do give CDEpi a call: 444-0273.

Get Your Flu Shot Now – an article on NPR discusses that now is the opportune time for flu shots, especially for those individuals who are at a higher risk for complications due to influenza. Risk factors include a history of cardiac disease, chronic lung conditions, diabetes, a weakened immune system, and pregnancy. You can read more here: https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2019/10/21/771339253/get-your-flu-shot-now-doctors-advise-especially-if-youre-pregnant?utm_source=facebook.com&utm_campaign=npr&utm_medium=social&utm_term=nprnews

The weekly influenza summary will be available beginning next Friday, November 1. You can find it as well as flu prevention posters to download, print, and share on the DPHHS flu website: <https://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/cdepi/diseases/influenza>