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## Weekly Communicable Disease Report December 2, 2019

### Gallatin County Communicable Disease Report Week 48 (11/25/2019 to 12/1/2019)

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

Reportable		Non-Reportable	
7	Chlamydia	26	Strep
5	Animal Bites	1	MRSA
10	Confirmed Flu (9 B and 1 A)		
2	Hepatitis C		
1	Leptospirosis		
1	Legionella		
1	Cryptosporidiosis		
1	Giardia		
1	Hepatitis B		

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### Summary of MMWR Week 47 for the state of Montana: Ending 11/23/2019

- **General Communicable Diseases:** Elevated blood lead (5)
- **Enteric Diseases:** Campylobacteriosis (10), Salmonellosis (5), Shiga toxin producing *E. coli* [STEC] (2), Vibriosis (1)
- **Vaccine Preventable Diseases:** Influenza hospitalization (3), Pertussis (3), *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (1)
- **STD/HIV:** Chlamydia (104), Gonorrhea (45), Syphilis (1, latent), HIV (1)
- **Hepatitis:** Hepatitis A, acute (1), Hepatitis B, chronic (2), Hepatitis C, chronic (25)
- **Rabies:** Animal rabies (1 Skunk), Rabies Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (1)

**Hepatitis A:** Hepatitis A (HAV) activity is increasing in Montana. There have been 8 confirmed cases of hepatitis A reported year-to-date in 2019, with 4 of those cases reported since the end of October. This is the highest number of cases reported in a single year since 2007, when there were 9 confirmed cases. Risk factors for the five most recent cases include intravenous drug use, sex between men, international travel, and travel to a state experiencing an ongoing outbreak of hepatitis A. The previous three cases in 2019 had no identified risk factors. Hepatitis A cases in 2019 have been spread out geographically (Flathead (2), Gallatin, Lewis and Clark, Park, Pondera, Ravalli, and Yellowstone) and are not known to be linked in any way

**Influenza:** Flu activity in Montana remains low and interestingly, the majority of PCR positive flu tests are influenza B, which is normally something that is observed towards the end of the flu season. Those specimens that were sent to be genotyped by the Montana Public Health Laboratory (MTPHL) have been the Victoria lineage, which is one of the B strains included in the trivalent and quadrivalent vaccine. In addition, reports of rapid positive flu A and B tests are coming from several counties across the state