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## Weekly Communicable Disease Report January 13, 2020

### Gallatin County Communicable Disease Report Week 2 (1/6/20 to 1/12/20)

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

Reportable		Non-Reportable	
14	Chlamydia	86	Strep
1	Campylobacter		
119	Flu (31 A, 79 B, 9?)		
2	Bites		
1	Salmonella		
2	Cryptosporidiosis		
1	Gonorrhea		
1	Chicken pox		

**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 1 for the state of Montana: Ending 1/4/2020

- **General Communicable Diseases:** (0)
- **Enteric Diseases:** Campylobacteriosis (3), Cryptosporidiosis (2), Salmonellosis (2), Shiga toxin-producing *E. coli* [STEC] (1), Shigellosis (1)
- **Vaccine Preventable Diseases:** Influenza hospitalization (28), Pertussis (3), *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, invasive (5), Varicella [chickenpox] (2)
- **STD/HIV:** Chlamydia (69), Gonorrhea (25), Syphilis, latent (2), HIV (0)
- **Hepatitis:** Hepatitis C, chronic (18)

### Hot Topics

**Influenza:** Influenza B continues to be the predominant strain both here and in the U.S., although influenza A cases are still being identified. This week the media ran several stories about the predicted severity of the flu season especially concerning pediatric deaths, which tends to correlate to when influenza B predominates. While there has been a dramatic increase in flu activity across the country, so far most of the Montana data reflects what is expected for this time of the influenza season but there are some indications that children are affected at higher rates than expected. Individuals aged 65 years and older generally have the highest influenza hospitalization rates but currently the highest influenza rate is for those aged 0–4 years. Of the 78 Montanans hospitalized for influenza this season, 17 are pediatric cases (<18 years) and 12 were positive for influenza B. Of these, 92% had not received a seasonal influenza vaccine. It is not too late to get an influenza vaccine to protect those who are the most vulnerable to complications of influenza.