

HEPATITIS A

Case Definition

Confirmed Case:

Laboratory confirmation of infection in the absence of recent vaccination:¹

- Detection of immunoglobulin M (IgM) antibody to hepatitis A virus (anti-HAV) **AND** acute clinical illness.
- OR**
- Detection of immunoglobulin M (IgM) antibody **AND** an epidemiologic link to a person with laboratory-confirmed Hepatitis A infection.

Probable Case:

Acute clinical illness in a person without laboratory confirmation of infection who is epidemiologically linked to a confirmed case.

¹ 2-4 weeks after a Hepatitis A immunization

Clinical Evidence

Characterized by discrete onset of symptoms, including fever, malaise, anorexia, nausea and abdominal pain followed by jaundice or elevated aminotransferase levels within a few days.

Reporting Requirements

- Report confirmed or probable cases to DHW Surveillance Team via Panorama.

Additional Forms

None.

Data Entry

Complete data entry in Panorama.