

METHICILLIN-RESISTANT STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS (MRSA)

Case Definition

Confirmed Case:

Laboratory confirmation by isolation of organisms by culture from any site, but primarily the nose, throat, rectum, blood, tissues, pleural fluid, bone or lesions.

Clinical Evidence

Common bacterial skin lesions are impetigo, folliculitis, furuncles, carbuncles, abscesses and infected lacerations.

Reporting Requirements

- Report confirmed cases to DHW Surveillance Team via Panorama.
- Only newly identified (regardless of the length of time between episodes) MRSA cases should be entered into Panorama.

Additional Forms

None.

Data Entry

Complete data entry in Panorama.