

# Gastro-intestinal (GI) Infections and Outbreaks caused by Norovirus (NLI) or Other Pathogens

## STAFF Reporting Process and Return to Work Restrictions

**All potentially exposed staff will:**

- Self monitor for symptoms
- Follow routine and enhanced Infection Prevention & Control precautions [Infection Prevention & Control precautions](#)

**Employee develops symptoms:**

- New or sudden onset of Vomiting and/or Diarrhea (≥ 2 Episodes in 24rs) or 1 episode of both Vomiting and Diarrhea within 24 hours

**Symptomatic Staff are to remain home or be sent home from work immediately**

**Employee remains symptom free**

*No work restrictions*

**If Outbreak declared follow staff reporting process:**

- If symptoms begin at work staff will notify leader and the Provincial Workplace Health Call Centre ([PWHCC](#))
- Notify staffing office of absence
- Staff who become ill away from work and feel that it is a workplace-acquired illness, will notify the ([PWHCC](#))

**Staff Return to Work Restrictions:**

Staff who develop symptoms consistent with a GI Infection (e.g. vomiting, diarrhea) while at home or in the community must remain off work until **at least 48 hours** after symptoms resolve, even if feeling better.

\*Employees who work in multiple departments within one shift, should start work on a non-outbreak unit and finish their shift on the **Outbreak** unit.

Additional Resources: PDF's on Immunization & Disease Exposure Intranet page

- [Gastrointestinal \(GI\) Infections and Outbreaks](#)
- [OH&S Employee Health Nurse- Site Assignments](#)