Appendix B: Provincial Case Definitions for Reportable Diseases

Disease: Mumps

Revised January 2014
Mumps

1.0 Provincial Reporting
   Confirmed and probable cases of disease

2.0 Type of Surveillance
   Case-by-case

3.0 Case Classification

3.1 Confirmed Case
   Laboratory confirmation of infection with clinically compatible signs and symptoms (see Section 5.0) in the absence of recent history of immunization with a mumps-containing vaccine in the last seven to 42 days:
   • Isolation of mumps virus from an appropriate clinical specimen (e.g. buccal swab, throat swab and urine culture)
   \( OR \)
   • Detection of mumps virus ribonucleic acid (RNA) from an appropriate clinical specimen (refer to above)
   \( OR \)
   • Seroconversion or significant rise (e.g. fourfold or greater) in mumps IgG titre by any standard serologic assay between acute and convalescent sera
   \( OR \)
   • Detection of mumps immunoglobulin M (IgM) antibody in a person who is either epidemiologically linked to a laboratory-confirmed case or has recently travelled to an area of known mumps activity
   \( OR \)
   • Clinically compatible signs and symptoms (see section 5.0) in a person who has been epidemiologically linked to a laboratory-confirmed case.

3.2 Probable Case
   Clinically compatible signs and symptoms (see section 5.0) in the absence of appropriate laboratory tests and without an epidemiological link to a laboratory confirmed case.

4.0 Laboratory Evidence

4.1 Laboratory Confirmation
   Any of the following will constitute a confirmed case of mumps:
• Positive mumps virus culture
• Positive RT-PCR for mumps virus RNA
• Positive for mumps IgM with clinical illness with an epidemiological link or travel history
• Seroconversion or significant rise (e.g. fourfold or greater) in mumps IgG titre between acute and convalescent sera

4.2 Approved/Validated Tests
• Standard culture for mumps virus
• RT-PCR for mumps virus RNA
• Commercial tests for anti-mumps IgM and IgG antibodies

Consult with Public Health Ontario Laboratories about appropriate specimens for each testing methodology.

4.3 Indications and Limitations
• IgM serology for mumps is most useful in cases of primary infection and may be of limited use in an individual who has a history of mumps vaccination.
• IgM serology has the potential for false-positive findings. In the absence of recent travel/exposure history, IgM results must be confirmed using other confirmatory methods as listed.
• A buccal swab, throat swab and urine are appropriate clinical samples for RT-PCR testing.
• Further strain characterization is indicated for epidemiologic, public health and control purposes.
• The Canadian Public Health Laboratory Network has endorsed the addition of mumps Reverse Transcriptase-Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) testing as a standard approach for mumps virus RNA detection.

5.0 Clinical Evidence
Clinical illness is characterized by acute onset of unilateral or bilateral tender, self-limited swelling of the parotid or other salivary gland, lasting greater than two days, and without other apparent cause.

Infection with mumps virus may present as aseptic meningitis, encephalitis, hearing loss, orchitis, oophoritis, parotitis or other salivary gland swelling, mastitis or pancreatitis.

Up to one third of infections do not cause clinically noticeable parotid swelling and may primarily manifest with respiratory tract symptoms.

6.0 ICD Code(s)

6.1 ICD-10 Code(s)
B26 Mumps
6.2 ICD-9/ICD-9CM Code(s)

072 Mumps

7.0 Comments

Optimal recovery of mumps virus or detection of mumps RNA is achieved if specimens are obtained three to five days after symptom onset. Virus may still be detectable in buccal and throat swabs collected up to 9 days and urine up to 14 days after symptom onset.

For serology, acute serum specimen IgM and IgG for mumps should be collected as soon as possible or within five days of symptom onset. If the initial IgM antibody is negative or indeterminate at onset of illness and mumps is considered likely, a convalescent serum specimen IgM and IgG for mumps should be repeated at least ten to 14 days after the initial (acute) sample.

8.0 Sources


9.0 Additional Resources

For further information about human diagnostic testing, contact the Public Health Ontario Laboratories or refer to the Public Health Ontario Laboratory Services webpage: http://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/ServicesAndTools/LaboratoryServices/Pages/default.aspx.

## 10.0 Document History

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|               |                  | Fourth bullet point changed from “Positive serologic test for mumps Immunoglobulin M (IgM) antibody using a recommended assay in a person who is either epidemiologically linked to a laboratory-confirmed case or has recently travelled to an area of known mumps activity” to “Detection of mumps immunoglobulin M (IgM) antibody in a person who is either..."
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