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June 27, 2024

Subject: Investigation of Gastrointestinal Illnesses (“stomach flu”) at Camp Au Sable Grayling

Greetings,

I am an epidemiologist for District Health Department #10 and am investigating an outbreak of gastrointestinal illness, often called “stomach flu”, in campers and staff at Camp Au Sable Grayling. At this time, it appears to be norovirus. You can find more information at: <https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bchs/nav-longterm-care/resources/pages/norovirus>, “Norovirus Fact Sheet” and “Guidelines For Environmental Cleaning And Disinfection”.

It is our responsibility to investigate outbreaks of illness among our citizens to better protect the health of the public. I would like to gather information from the staff, campers, and any other persons in order to better understand this outbreak.

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Description automatically generatedPlease complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to me as quickly as possible. If anyone else in your household has recently been sick with vomiting or diarrhea, please have them complete the questionnaire also. By completing it you will provide important information that will help us learn about the risks of illness and to prevent future illnesses. All information is confidential. Any report we make will not contain information that could identify you, like your name or date of birth.

You may answer the questionnaire by editing it and emailing it back to me ([crossow@dhd10.org](mailto:crossow@dhd10.org)), or you can scan the QR code on the right.

For any questions about this outbreak, please contact our nurse Jessica in our Crawford County office at 989-688-8614.

Thank you for your assistance.

Chelsea Rossow, Epidemiologist

\*Note for local health departments: MDSS outbreak code is Camp Au Sable Noro- 06- 2024