

Two or more cases of Influenza-like Illness (ILI)

Out of hours – 17:00PM – 09:00AM

Ensure staff assess, monitor and document symptoms on outbreak forms

IMMEDIATE ACTION

Call PHE to notify and for advice
TEL: 0344 225 2562 - option 3

- Display outbreak posters
- Inform staff & visitors
- Reinforce hand hygiene

- Complete outbreak form daily
- List all resident's & staff details
- Phone Health Protection Team with update on 0161 770 1276/1467

Specimens

The HP Team will collect throat swabs from affected residents if appropriate in the next working hours

- Postpone non urgent appointments
- Inform hospital of outbreak if residents admitted
- Cancel events (discuss with HP Team)

Complete a fluid & stool chart for all affected residents

If PHE do not advise to close the Home, no further action is required.

IMMEDIATE ACTION

- Isolate affected residents in their own rooms
- Keep doors closed

Affected staff must stay off work

5 days after last symptoms

Enforce handwashing using soap and water by staff, residents & visitors.

DO NOT RELY ON ALCOHOL GEL DURING AN OUTBREAK.

Reinforce respiratory hygiene

"Catch it, bin it, kill it"

Gloves & aprons available in all rooms

Remove as clinical waste before leaving room

Use red alginate water soluble laundry bags for soiled linen during an outbreak.

Increase cleaning throughout or Milton) on hard surfaces, Handrails, toilets, bedrails, handles etc....

4+ times a day and when dirty

The home can reopen after discussion with HP Team and must be deep cleaned first

5 days after last symptoms

The HP Team will contact the Home daily during the outbreak to provide further advice & support.