

Varicella OUTBREAK Enhanced Data Collection

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Ship _____

Voyage # _____

Isolation Practices*: Were all persons with suspected varicella isolated* appropriately?	<input style="width: 90%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Cases: Were all persons with suspected varicella medically evaluated?	<input style="width: 90%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Treatment[†]: How many persons with suspected varicella were treated with antiviral (acyclovir) treatment [†] ?	Total number treated with antivirals: _____
Contacts: How many total contacts [‡] were identified (i.e. for all cases)?	<input style="width: 90%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
How many total susceptible contacts [§] were identified?	<input style="width: 90%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
How many total high risk [§] susceptible contacts [§] were identified?	<input style="width: 90%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Prophylaxis**: How many asymptomatic susceptible contacts [§] were provided with varicella vaccination?	Susceptible contacts prophylaxed: _____
How many asymptomatic high risk susceptible contacts [§] were provided varicella-zoster immune globulin (VZIG)?	High risk susceptible contacts prophylaxed: _____
Notifications: Were varicella notifications sent out to crew/passengers?	Crew: <input style="width: 80%; height: 20px;" type="text"/> Passengers: <input style="width: 80%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Morbidity & Mortality: Were any persons with suspected varicella hospitalized (ashore or at sea)?	<input style="width: 90%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Were there any fatalities due to suspected varicella?	<input style="width: 90%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

* Persons with suspected varicella should remain isolated in their cabins or quarters until all lesions have crusted over or no new lesions appear within a 24-hour period (usually 5-7 days after rash onset).

† Antiviral (acyclovir) treatment is recommended for people who develop varicella and are > 12 years old or others at high-risk for complications.

‡ Varicella contacts on a cruise ship are considered to be a person who has had ≥5 minutes of face-to-face contact with a varicella case during the infectious period, from 1 to 2 days before rash onset until lesions are crusted (generally 5-7 days after rash onset) or direct contact with the fluid from skin lesions of patients with varicella or herpes zoster .

§ Susceptible contacts include those without any of the following: documentation of receipt of two doses of varicella-containing vaccine; serologic evidence of immunity or confirmed disease; birth in the United States before 1980; a history of varicella or herpes zoster verified by a health-care provider or the cruise ship clinician based on the patient's description of the illness

§ High Risk Susceptible Contacts include those who are pregnant, immunocompromised with HIV infection, with a malignant condition affecting the bone marrow or lymphatic systems, or persons taking oral steroids or other immunosuppressant medications

** A dose of **varicella vaccine** should be administered within **3 days of exposure** (possibly up to 5 days) to all **susceptible contacts** who lack evidence of immunity except those who are pregnant or immunocompromised. Vaccination is still recommended beyond 5 days to prevent infection from future exposures and further spread of disease. **Susceptible contacts** with written documentation of receipt of one dose of varicella vaccine may be vaccinated with a second dose. **High-risk susceptible contacts** for whom varicella vaccine is contraindicated (i.e., pregnant women or immunocompromised persons) should be evaluated for administration of **varicella zoster immune globulin**. VZIG should be administered as soon as possible but may be effective if administered as late as 10 days after exposure.

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