



Welcome to the August edition of the MCI Infectious Disease Newsletter.

This month's key articles include a follow up to the legal proceedings for a Hepatitis A outbreak at a restaurant earlier in the year and an update to the developing Marburg Virus outbreak in Ghana.

Also highlighted are several articles exploring the causes behind the resurgence of poliovirus cases in countries where it was previously considered eradicated.

This newsletter goes hand in hand with our new Infectious Disease 3rd Party Liability product that aims to offset the increasing risks posed by outbreaks in the modern, globalised world.

For further information about MCI and our new IDL product, please refer to our website – [www.mciuw.com](http://www.mciuw.com) Please feel free to forward onto interested parties within your networks. To subscribe to the newsletter, please email [lauren.oneill@mciuw.com](mailto:lauren.oneill@mciuw.com)

## Litigation

### **[Judge to decide insurance dispute in hepatitis A outbreak at Roanoke restaurants](#)**

The Roanoke Times - 14 July 2022

With about 40 lawsuits pending against a Roanoke restaurant that was the source of a deadly hepatitis A outbreak, a federal judge is being ...

### **[Another lawsuit filed against Brighton Rehab and Wellness in connection with covid-19 outbreak](#)**

TribLIVE.com - 5 August 2022

The family of a Brighton Rehabilitation and Wellness Center employee who died from covid-19 after they said he contracted the illness at work filed a wrongful death suit against the owners on Thursday.

### **[Court Rules Tourist Could be Entitled to Compensation After Catching Covid-19 at Ischgl Ski Area, Austria](#)**

SnowBrains.com - 26 July 2022

The Vienna Higher Regional Court in Austria ruled on Monday that a German tourist could be entitled to compensation after catching covid-19 ... coronavirus **outbreak** at Ischgl, the ski resort that became the epicenter of the disease in Europe. 32 covid-related deaths have been **traced**

### **[Care home where residents got food poisoning facing criminal investigation](#)**

WalesOnline - 7 August 2022

Ashgrove House has a zero-star rating for food hygiene

### **[Law firms generate £1.4bn in fees from clinical negligence cases](#)**

Legal Futures - 27 July 2022

Clinical negligence: Covid impact

## Outbreaks

### **[Hepatitis: Child dies in Ireland after being treated for mystery form of the disease](#)**

Sky News - 5 August 2022

The cases are linked to an unexplained version of the virus that has been reported across the globe, including in the UK. No single strain of the virus has been identified as being the cause.

### **[First Child Death From Marburg Virus In Ghana, Brings Outbreak Death Toll To 3](#)**

Forbes - 4 August 2022

Ghana has just had four firsts when it comes to Marburg virus disease (MVD) with none of them being good firsts. The first first came in ...

### **['The worst outbreak we've ever had': Three residents dead in COVID-19 outbreak at Barry's Bay long-term care home](#)**

CTV News - 28 July 2022

### **[Second Student From Brisbane Girls Grammar Tests Positive](#)**

Hit Network - 5 August 2022

Queensland tackle cluster

### **[Horse euthanised after first Hendra virus case in five years reported in Queensland](#)**

the Guardian - 8 August 2022

Biosecurity Queensland euthanised the horse in Mackay on Friday after it contracted the virus, which can be fatal in humans

### **[CDC Details Outbreaks of Acute GI Illness Linked to 'Splash Pads'](#)**

MedPage Today - 5 August 2022

— Multiple cases of shigellosis and norovirus identified after kids' visits to Kansas wildlife park

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### [Hospitals report more cases of parechovirus in infants: "This is not normal"](#)

CBS News - 28 July 2022

Multiple health systems are now reporting a potential uptick in serious cases of parechovirus infections in infants, after cases largely ...

### [Rare Bacteria Discovered on the Mississippi Gulf Coast: Burkholderia pseudomallei - Mississippi State Department of Health](#)

msdh.ms.gov - 27 July 2022

Today, the Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH), through a joint investigation with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is announcing the discovery of an uncommon bacteria that causes melioidosis, identified in the environment in the United States (US) for the first time.

### [CDA Confirms Cases of Anthrax in Sedgwick County Cattle | Department of Agriculture](#)

ag.colorado.gov - 26 July 2022

The Colorado State Veterinarian's office has confirmed a case of anthrax in a beef cattle herd in Sedgwick County. The case was confirmed at the CSU Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory on July 23, 2022 after the producer had seven acute deaths in the herd. A second positive case in a nearby beef herd was confirmed positive on Tuesday July 26, 2022.

### [Florida Health urges public keep 'closer eye' as deadly meningitis outbreak worsens](#)

WPTV-TV - 13 July 2022

"Anyone who is in close contact with anyone who is infected is certainly susceptible," Dr. Ulyee Choe says

## **ID Research & Mitigation**

### [Health Chief Warns Polio Case Could Be 'Tip of the Iceberg'](#)

The New York Times - 5 August 2022

New York State health officials on Thursday intensified their push for people who have not been immunized against polio to get vaccinated " ...

### [New York Polio Case Now Connected to Traces of Virus Found in UK and Israel](#)

ProPublica - 29 July 2022

Using sewage sample tests from three countries separated by thousands of miles, public health officials hope to unravel the mystery of ...

### [Lyme disease cases spike fourfold as climate crisis spreads ticks](#)

MSN - 5 August 2022

Lyme disease cases spike fourfold as climate crisis spreads ticks - Lyme disease is a serious infection that infected ticks can spread to humans

### [Fauci Explains Why Smallpox Vaccine ACAM2000 Isn't Being Used for Monkeypox](#)

Newsweek - 5 August 2022

Anthony Fauci has explained why the U.S isn't using ACAM2000—the smallpox vaccine that the U.S. has in a massive stockpile—to combat ...

benefit—as *smallpox* was an incredibly dangerous *disease*. "It is a vaccine which was against a historically horrible *disease* that influenced

### [Food expiration dates are kind of meaningless. A food safety researcher explains.](#)

The Philadelphia Inquirer - 5 August 2022

Without obvious signs of contamination, consumers use expiration dates to decide whether to keep or throw away food.

Florida's *outbreak* of listeria has so far led to at least one death, 22 hospitalizations and an ice cream recall since January. Humans

### [USDA study aims to enhance traceability during foodborne outbreak investigations](#)

High Plains Journal - 19 July 2022

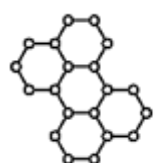
Scientists with the USDA's Agricultural Research Service aim to enhance the capacity of regulatory agencies to trace Escherichia coli O157: ...

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