



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

This month's key articles include the settlement of a wrongful death suit within a Veteran's home in New Mexico and the confirmation of a first time *C.auris* outbreak in a Montreal hospital.

Also highlighted is the continuation of an *E.coli* outbreak in Lancashire amongst nurseries that has been ongoing for months without resolution.

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

### **Outbreak!: Why insurance claims professionals should pay attention to Monkeypox**

Freeman Mathis & Gary - 3 October 2022

Monkeypox was declared a national public health emergency by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on August 4, 2022, only the fifth time this has happened since 2009. As of September 20, 2022, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported 24,203 confirmed

### **Subway Food Poisoning Outbreak Leads to Shigella Lawsuits in Illinois - AboutLawsuits.com**

AboutLawsuits.com - 10 October 2022

At least 78 people have fallen ill from a Shigellosis food poisoning outbreak linked to a Chicago-area Subway restaurant. The outbreak has hospitalized 11

### **Wrongful Death Lawsuit in New Mexico Veteran's Death Settled for \$300K**

Insurance Journal - 4 October 2022

A wrongful death lawsuit filed against the New Mexico Department of Health after a Vietnam War veteran contracted COVID-19 at a veterans' ...

### **Local governments say wrongful death expansion will hike costs**

nystateofpolitics.com - 3 October 2022

Lawmakers approved bill to cover emotional anguish.

## Outbreaks

### **NHS warned to be 'vigilant' of Ebola as America introduces airport screening**

MSN - 10 October 2022

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### **COVID-19 outbreak at Providence Manor in Kingston**

CTV News - 6 October 2022

A COVID-19 outbreak at Providence Manor has caused added restrictions and lockdown measures in the Kingston long-term care home. Krista Wells Pearce is the vice president of corporate support services, and says the outbreak started 11 days ago. "Prevalence is increasing locally, we don't have restri

### **Potentially fatal fungus discovered in Montreal-area hospital in first Quebec outbreak**

CTV News - 22 September 2022

### **E.coli outbreak at Lanarkshire primary school as 10 pupils test positive and entire class closed**

Glasgow Live - 5 October 2022

Public health is leading an investigation into the the cause of the infections at Tinto Primary and have closed the affected primary one/ ...

### **Maine CDC investigating COVID-19 outbreaks at 26 long-term care facilities in the state**

Kennebec Journal and Morning Sentinel - 8 September 2022

One outbreak is at Woodlands Senior Living of Waterville and involves 27 residents and four staff, according to the Maine CDC.

### **Toronto Public Health reports one death after meningococcal disease outbreak**

thestar.com - 3 October 2022

TORONTO - One person has died in a Toronto outbreak of meningococcal disease, the city's public health unit said Thursday.

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### **CDC: Possible norovirus outbreak affected numerous Grand Canyon National Park visitors**

KVVU-TV - 29 September 2022

GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK, Ariz. (Arizona's Family/Gray News) - The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released details about a ...

### **New York governor declares state of emergency over growing polio outbreak**

The Straits Times - 10 September 2022

NEW YORK - Governor Kathy Hochul of New York declared a state of emergency on Friday over the growing polio outbreak, in an effort to ...

... continue to worry about the **spread** not only of polio but also the monkeypox **virus**. However, the risk of a polio **infection** is low for most ...

## **ID Research & Mitigation**

### **Why Infectious Disease Outbreaks Are Becoming So Common**

yahoo.com - 15 September 2022

Humans have always battled microbes. But if the assaults seem to be coming more frequently and ferociously, that's because they are.

### **These scientists traced a new coronavirus lineage to one office — through sewage**

Nature - 26 September 2022

Researchers are hunting through waste water for heavily mutated SARS-CoV-2 variants that could be the next Omicron.

### **House Panel Finds Nursing Home Understaffing Likely Led to More Deaths During Pandemic - AboutLawsuits.com**

AboutLawsuits.com - 3 October 2022

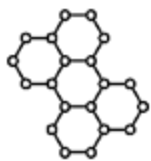
A House panel's report finds nursing home understaffing played a major role in elderly deaths during the pandemic.

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