



Onondaga County Health Department

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Dear Superintendent:

We would like to share with you important information on the recent outbreak of a severe respiratory illness associated with Enterovirus D68. This virus was first identified in several Midwest states this past August. The first cases in New York State were confirmed locally in Onondaga County on Friday, September 12, 2014.

We are asking that you share the attached fact sheet on Enterovirus D68 and the Onondaga County Health Department's (OCHD) *Health Advisory: Enterovirus D68* with all school nurses and medical directors in your district. Please consider sharing the attached fact sheet for parents and/or caregivers with your families and community partners. Fact sheets are available on the OCHD's website at <http://www.ongov.net/health/enterovirus.html>. You may post this information on your district's website as well.

If you have any questions, you may contact the Onondaga County Health Department's Bureau of Disease Control at 435-3236.

Sincerely,

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Interim Commissioner of Health

Attachments (3): Facts about Enterovirus D68 (EV-D68) for School Nurses
 Facts about Enterovirus D68 (EV-D68) for Parents and Caregivers
 Health Advisory: Enterovirus D68

