



Salmonella Outbreak Update

This document is an update on the current Salmonella Typhimurium outbreak in the United States. It is based on information available from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) and the Michigan Disease Surveillance System (MDSS).

MDCH is assisting with a CDC led investigation of Salmonella Typhimurium clusters with illness onset dates starting September 2008. As of February 12, 2009 there are 636 cases in the US involving 44 States including Michigan. Approximately a fifth of these patients have been hospitalized and this outbreak might be linked to 9 deaths. Michigan has 35 cases from 18 jurisdictions with WCDPH jurisdiction having 5 cases that can be linked to the outbreak.

While there is significant association between consumption of peanut butter epidemiologic studies indicate that the peanut butter and peanut butter paste produced at one plant are the source of the outbreak. <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm58e0129a1.htm>

Please refer to the WCDPH Salmonellosis Information and Prevention Sheet for brief information on Salmonellosis. Please feel free to download and share as appropriate.

For detailed information on Salmonella Infections and the current Salmonella Outbreak please visit:

<http://www.cdc.gov/salmonella/typhimurium/>

For a complete listing of recalls please visit:

<http://www.fda.gov/oc/opacom/hottopics/salmonellatyph.html>

For Michigan Specific recalls please visit the link below and click on "Salmonella in Michigan" spotlight.

www.michigan.gov/mda

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