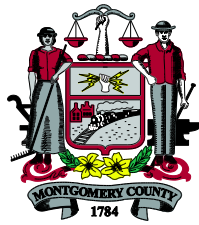


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**Montgomery County Office of Public Health  
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**Update to Montgomery County Influenza Surveillance Program – Aggregate  
Reporting  
October 10, 2018**

Montgomery County Office of Public Health (OPH) will be starting the implementation of aggregate reporting for the 2018-2019 influenza season.

Aggregate reporting will allow facilities to report large numbers of patients, by age group, who have tested positive for influenza (Influenza A, B, Unspecified) or who have been Physician diagnosed with influenza. Providers who have access to Pennsylvania National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (PA-NEDSS) will be expected to report weekly via the online reporting service. For providers who currently do not use PA-NEDSS, OPH has developed an updated Influenza Aggregate Report Form for the 2018-2019 season. This form will be completed by the facility weekly and sent back to OPH via fax or email for data entry into PA-NEDSS.

As part of the Aggregate Reporting update, all facilities are required to individually report patients who are hospitalized and/or have expired/ died through traditional disease reporting including PA-NEDSS, fax, phone or email. OPH has created a document to individually report these cases if the facility does not report through PA-NEDSS.

All forms can be located at <https://www.montcopa.org/Flu> and sent back to OPH via email [OPHFlu@montcopa.org](mailto:OPHFlu@montcopa.org) or faxed to 610-278-3971.

Please utilize PA TRAIN's learning modules to familiarize yourself with Aggregate Reporting specifics. Specifically, the course titled "PA-NEDSS: Aggregate Reporting for Hospitals, Clinics, Physicians and Laboratories (28:23)" would provide education on reporting.

For more information, please contact the OPH Division of Communicable Disease Control and Prevention at 610-278-5117 or review our information on our updated influenza web page. The web page will be updated weekly to allow the public to monitor influenza activity in Montgomery County and will include prevention and education materials on influenza.  
<https://www.montcopa.org/Flu>

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