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**SUBJECT:** **Norovirus Infection**

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We have recently received reports of outbreaks of gastrointestinal illness suggestive of norovirus infection in both community and health care settings. The prevention and control of norovirus outbreaks in institutions and in health care and long term care facilities can be difficult. The attached article and the links below may be of assistance.

<http://hamptonroads.com/2010/02/norovirus-outbreak-chesapeake-regional-prompts-restrictions>

[http://www.boston.com/news/health/articles/2008/01/08/norovirus\\_sweeps\\_2\\_boston\\_hospitals/](http://www.boston.com/news/health/articles/2008/01/08/norovirus_sweeps_2_boston_hospitals/)

[http://www.vdh.state.va.us/Epidemiology/documents/pdf/Attachment\\_H\\_Norovirus\\_Prevention\\_Guidance\\_For\\_Facilities\\_01\\_31\\_09.pdf](http://www.vdh.state.va.us/Epidemiology/documents/pdf/Attachment_H_Norovirus_Prevention_Guidance_For_Facilities_01_31_09.pdf)

Please contact the Epidemiology Section at the Department of Public Health should you have any questions at 860-509-7994.



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