

## REPORTING & ESCALATION

### REPORTING AN OUTBREAK

An '**outbreak**' is an incident where two or more people have the same disease or similar symptoms and are linked in time, place and/or association of person. An outbreak may also be defined as a situation when the observed number of cases unaccountably exceeds the expected number at any given time.

Two or more residents/staff affected with symptoms

- 1. Report to LCC Health Protection Team**  
(Mon-Fri 8am-5pm)  
Tel: 01522 552993  
OR  
Email: healthprotectionteam@lincolnshire.gov.uk
- 2. Report to UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA)**  
(If out of LCC IPC hours)  
Tel: 0344 225 4524 – option 1  
OR  
email: emhpt@phe.gov.uk
- 3. Environmental Health (Local District Council)**
- 4. Consider: Care Quality Commission**

For Further information please see our webpage:  
[Health Protection – Professional resources](#)