

## **PERTUSSIS ADVISORY**

### **North Hastings**

2016 May 17

**To:** North Hastings Family Physicians; Nurse Practitioners; Family Health Teams; QHC NH ER

**From:** Bill Sherlock, Manager, Health Protection Department

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There are now two cases of Pertussis in North Hastings High School, two cases at Bird's Creek Public School and one case at Hastings Centennial Manor.

Hastings Prince Edward Public Health (HPEPH) will be providing an immunization clinic on Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at NHHS for students and teachers with overdue immunizations. At this point our records indicate approximately 40% of students at NHHS are overdue for Pertussis vaccine.

HPEPH will offer an additional clinic for the public on Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at the Bancroft Public Health Office, from 10am to 6pm.

You may continue to see children and adults presenting with pertussis-like symptoms. We encourage you to test, treat and immunize for Pertussis. In particular, consider immunizing pregnant women ≥ 26 weeks' gestation, who have not yet received an adult dose of pertussis vaccine.

For information on testing, contact our CD intake line at 613-966-5500 x349. Additional NP swabs are available at our Bancroft office by calling 613-332-4555.

Continue to report suspect cases to our CD intake line.

If you require additional vaccine, please place your order today, so that it can be delivered to our Bancroft office on Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

For more information contact HPEPH at 613-966-5500:

- Questions regarding pertussis immunization, call the Vaccine Preventable Disease Team x313.
- Case and contact treatment guidelines, call the Communicable Disease Team x349.

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#### **Prince Edward County**

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