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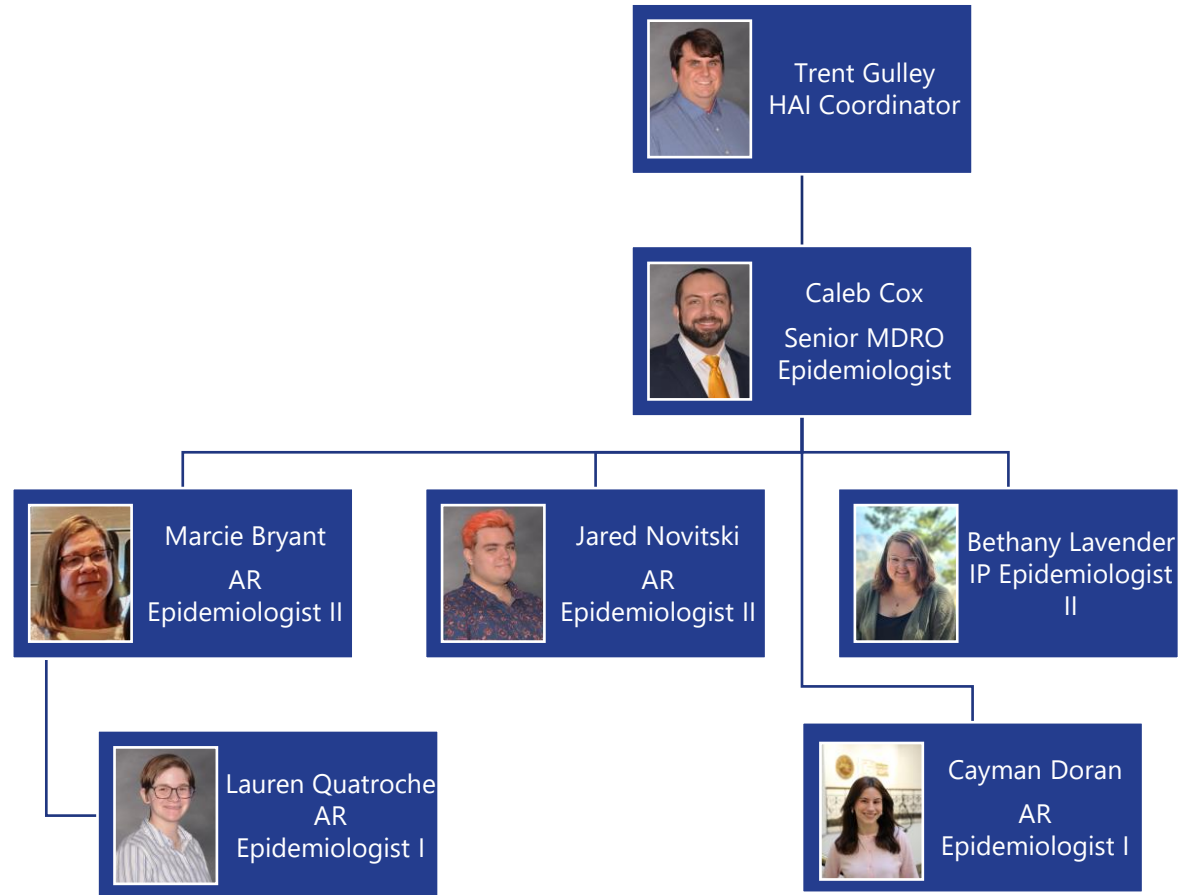
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Every Hoosier reaches optimal health regardless of where they live, learn, work, or play.



Antimicrobial Resistance Team



Communicable Disease Rule

Announcement: In March 2023, the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) announced changes to Indiana's Communicable Disease (CD) Rule (410 IAC), including streamlined timeframes for reporting and updates to reportable diseases. Indiana Code Title 16 (Health 16-41-2-1) was amended in 2019. This amendment allows the IDOH to publish and update the list of reportable communicable diseases and control measures on the IDOH website. External documents have been created to house this information, which will allow for updates and changes to be made more easily in the future.

Communicable disease reporting changes went into effect April 1.

Key Updates

- The reporting timeframes have been streamlined to two options: immediately and within one working day. The number of immediately reportable diseases has decreased.
- The reportable disease list has been removed from the Indiana Communicable Disease (CD) Rule. Separate documents have been created for the reportable disease list for providers as well as a reportable result/pathogen list for laboratories. By listing this information in external documents, rather than within the rule, it will be easier to make changes and keep the information updated. Additionally, these documents will be more easily accessible and convenient for health care providers, hospitals, medical laboratories, and local health departments.

The following documents cover the changes in greater detail:

1. [Indiana Reportable Disease List for Healthcare Providers and Hospitals](#)
2. [Indiana Reportable Result/Pathogen List for Laboratories](#)
3. [Summary of Reporting Changes Document](#)
4. [Frequently Asked Questions Document](#)
5. [Local Health Department Webcast Slides](#)

[Access the
communicable
disease reporting
resources here!](#)

2025 Indiana Reportable Disease List for Healthcare Providers and Hospitals

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REPORT IMMEDIATELY ON SUSPICION

Anthrax	Rubella (German Measles)
Botulism	Rubella congenital syndrome
Cholera (<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> O1, O139, or toxigenic)	SARS-associated coronavirus (SARS-CoV)
Diphtheria	Smallpox (Variola infection)
Eastern equine encephalitis virus (EEEV) disease	Tularemia
Hemolytic uremic syndrome (HUS), post-diarrheal	Viral hemorrhagic fever, filoviruses
Hepatitis, viral, Type B, pregnant woman (acute and chronic) or perinatally exposed infant	Ebola virus
Influenza A, Novel	Marburg virus
Measles (Rubeola)	Viral hemorrhagic fever, other
Melioidosis (<i>Burkholderia pseudomallei</i>)	Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus
Meningococcal disease, invasive	Guanarito virus
Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV)	Junin virus
Plague	Lassa virus
Polio	Lujo virus
Rabies, human	Machupo virus
	Sabia virus

TO REPORT:

- Immediately Reportable: complete steps 1-2
- Within One Working Day: complete step 2

Step 1: Call 317-233-7125

317-233-1325 (After hours)

Step 2:

- NBS users: Report conditions via Morbidity Report in [NBS](#)
- Non-NBS users: Report with [this](#) form



REPORT WITHIN ONE WORKING DAY

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)	<i>Escherichia coli</i> (<i>E. coli</i>) infection (Shiga toxin-producing <i>E. coli</i> (STEC) including, but not limited to, <i>E. coli</i> O157 and other serogroups)	Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in adults (MIS-A)
Acute Flaccid Myelitis (AFM)		Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in children (MIS-C)
Anaplasmosis	Giardiasis	Mumps
Animal bite or exposure	Gonorrhea	Pandrug-resistant Organisms
Arboviral disease or infection, domestic:	Disseminated gonococcal infection	Pertussis (whooping cough)
California serogroup viruses,	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> , invasive disease, (including antimicrobial susceptibility testing)	Psittacosis
Jamestown Canyon virus,	Hansen's disease (leprosy)	Q Fever
La Crosse virus,	Hantavirus infection (pulmonary and non-pulmonary), including, but not limited to: Sin Nombre virus,	Rabies, postexposure prophylaxis administration
Powassan virus,	Seoul virus	Salmonellosis, non-typhoidal
St. Louis encephalitis virus,	Hepatitis, viral, Type A	Shigellosis
West Nile virus,	Hepatitis, viral, Type B (acute and chronic)	Spotted fever rickettsiosis, including Rocky Mountain Spotted fever
Western equine encephalitis virus	Hepatitis, viral, Type C (acute and chronic)	<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> , invasive disease (including antimicrobial susceptibility testing)
Arboviral disease or infection, imported:	Hepatitis, viral, Type C, pregnant woman (acute or chronic) or perinatally exposed infant	<i>Streptococcus</i> , Group A, invasive disease
Chikungunya virus,	Hepatitis, viral, Type Delta	Syphilis
Dengue virus,	Hepatitis, viral, Type E	Tetanus
Japanese encephalitis,	Hepatitis, viral, unspecified	Toxic shock syndrome (streptococcal or staphylococcal)
Oropouche virus,	Histoplasmosis	Trichinellosis
Yellow fever,	HIV infection	Tuberculosis disease, reportable upon suspicion
Zika virus	HIV infection, pregnant woman or perinatally exposed infant	Typhoid and paratyphoid fever, cases and carriers
Babesiosis	Influenza-associated deaths (all ages)	Vancomycin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (VRSA) and Vancomycin-intermediate <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (VISA)
Brucellosis	Latent tuberculosis infection (LTBI)	Varicella (chickenpox)
Campylobacteriosis	Legionellosis	Vibriosis (non-cholera <i>Vibrio</i> infection)
<u>Candida auris</u>	Leptospirosis	Yersiniosis, non-pestis
<u>Carbapenemase-Producing Organisms (CROs)</u>	Listeriosis	
Chancroid	Lyme disease	
Chlamydia trachomatis, genital infection	Malaria	
<i>Lymphogranuloma venereum</i>	Mpox (formerly known as Monkeypox)	
Coccidioidomycosis		
COVID-19-associated deaths (all ages)		
Cronobacter infection, invasive, infants (younger than 1 year of age)		
Cryptosporidiosis		
Cyclosporiasis		
Ehrlichiosis		

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IMMEDIATELY REPORTABLE OUTBREAKS

1. Any disease required to be reported as listed above
2. Newborns with diarrhea in hospitals or other institutions
3. Foodborne or waterborne diseases in addition to those specified above
4. Streptococcal illnesses
5. Conjunctivitis
6. Impetigo
7. Clusters or suspected outbreaks of any disease associated with hospitals and healthcare facilities
8. Influenza-like illness
9. Viral meningitis
10. Unusual occurrence of disease
11. Any disease (e.g. anthrax, plague, tularemia, Brucella species, smallpox, or botulism) or chemical illness considered a bioterrorism threat, importation, or laboratory release

OTHER REPORTABLE NON-COMMUNICABLE CONDITIONS AND DISEASES

- Report all blood lead results (capillary and venous) in children and adults within one week (410 IAC 29-3-1)
- Report confirmed cases of cancer occurring in residents diagnosed or treated in Indiana to the state cancer registry (410 IAC 21-1-2)

Reporting – Within One Working Day

How to report:

- Option 1: create morbidity report in NBS
 - attach all documents to morbidity report
- Option 2: fax all documents to IDOH
 - secure fax number: 317-234-2812

Documents to include when reporting:

- history and physical
- all relevant lab reports
- antimicrobial susceptibility testing (AST) report
- Confidential Report of Communicable Diseases (if faxing)

Acronyms

- CRE – Carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacterales*
- CP-CRE – Carbapenemase-producing - carbapenem resistant *Enterobacterales*
- CRPA – Carbapenem-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
- CRAB – Carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii*
- CPO – Carbapenemase-producing organism
- MDRO – Multidrug-resistant organism
- CDC- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- NBS- National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS) base system

Carbapenemase Producing Organisms

- Carbapenemase-producing *Enterobacterales*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, and *Acinetobacter baumannii* from any site OR
- Isolates of *Enterobacterales*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, and *Acinetobacter baumannii* that are resistant to carbapenems but have not been tested for Carbapenemase production

Condition Name in NBS:

- Carbapenemase-Producing Organisms (CPO), Clinical
- Carbapenemase-Producing Organisms (CPO), Screening

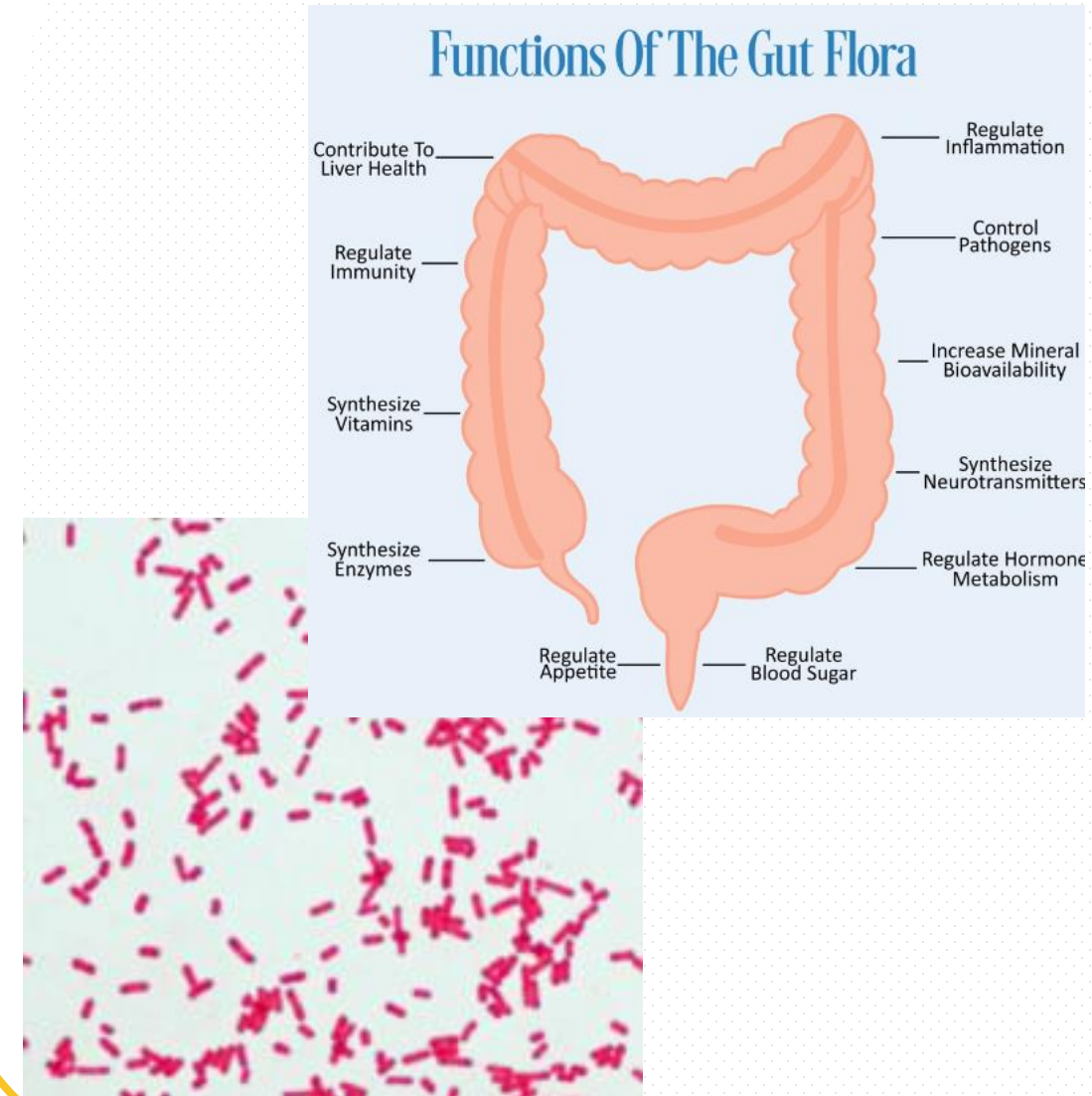
Reporting Timeframe:

- Within One Working Day

Enterobacterales

Enterobacterales

- A category of bacteria that live in the GI tract of humans
- These bacteria are all gram-negative rods
- Examples
 - *E. coli*
 - *Klebsiella* sp.
 - *Enterobacter* sp.
 - *Serratia* sp.
 - *Proteus* sp.
 - *Citrobacter* sp.



CRE

Definition: Any *Enterobacterales* that are not susceptible (i.e. intermediate or resistant) to a carbapenem antibiotic

- *Enterobacterales* can be resistant to carbapenems through several resistance mechanisms
- Carbapenemase production is currently the most concerning



CRPA

- *Pseudomonas* is commonly found in the soil and water.
- *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* can cause infections in the blood, lungs, or other parts of the body after surgery.
- Can colonize a patient without causing infections.
- Can be intrinsically resistant to Ertapenem



CRAB

- *Acinetobacter* is commonly found in soil and water.
- *Acinetobacter baumannii* can cause infections in the blood, urinary tract, lungs, and in wounds.
- Can colonize a patient without causing infections.



CPO

Screening definition:

- Organisms cultured **specifically for screening** from any body site that are found to produce a carbapenemase enzyme

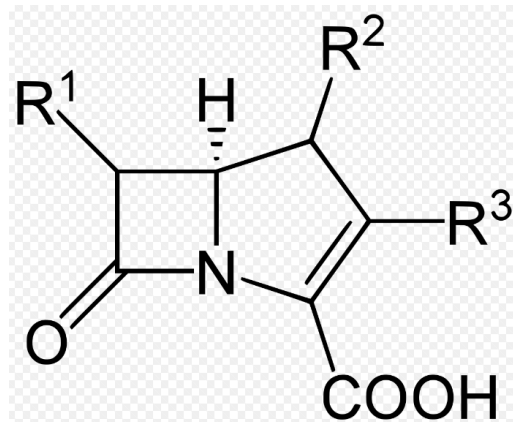
Clinical definition:

- Organisms cultured **during routine care** from any body site that are found to produce a carbapenemase enzyme

Carbapenem vs carbapenemase

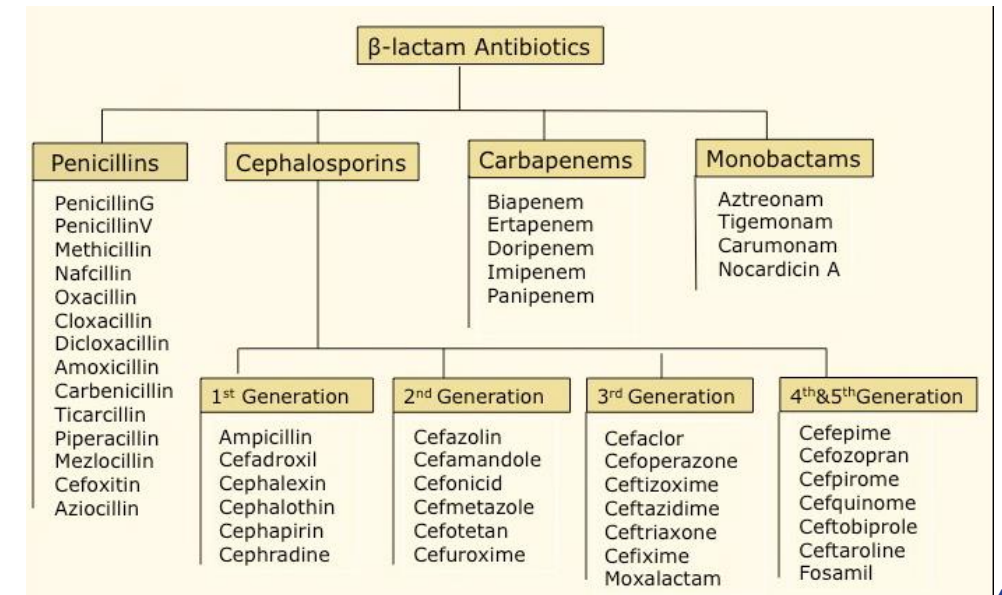
Carbapenem

- Class of broad-spectrum antibiotics
- Treatment is typically reserved for severe or highly resistant infections only
- Includes
 - Meropenem
 - Ertapenem
 - Doripenem
 - Imipenem



Carbapenemase

- An enzyme that can break down carbapenems (and all beta-lactams)
- Includes: KPC, VIM, OXA-48, IMP, NDM



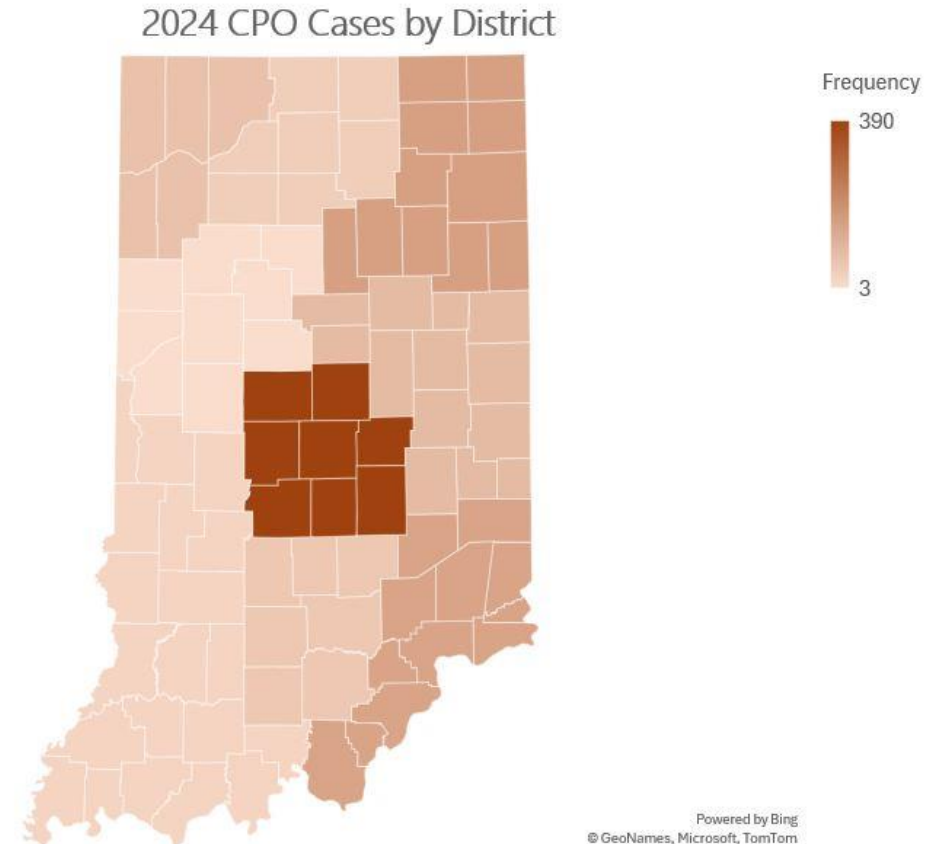
Carbapenamase Producing Organisms (CPO) Data

2023: 405

- Clinical: 328 (81.0%)
- Screening: 77 (19.0%)

2024: 440

- Clinical: 399 (90.7%)
- Screening: 41 (9.3%)



Indiana 2024 CPO Cases

Organism:

- *Klebsiella spp.*: 105
- *E. coli*: 46
- *Enterobacter spp.*: 23
- Other: 77
- *Acinetobacter spp.*: 170
- *Pseudomonas spp.*: 8

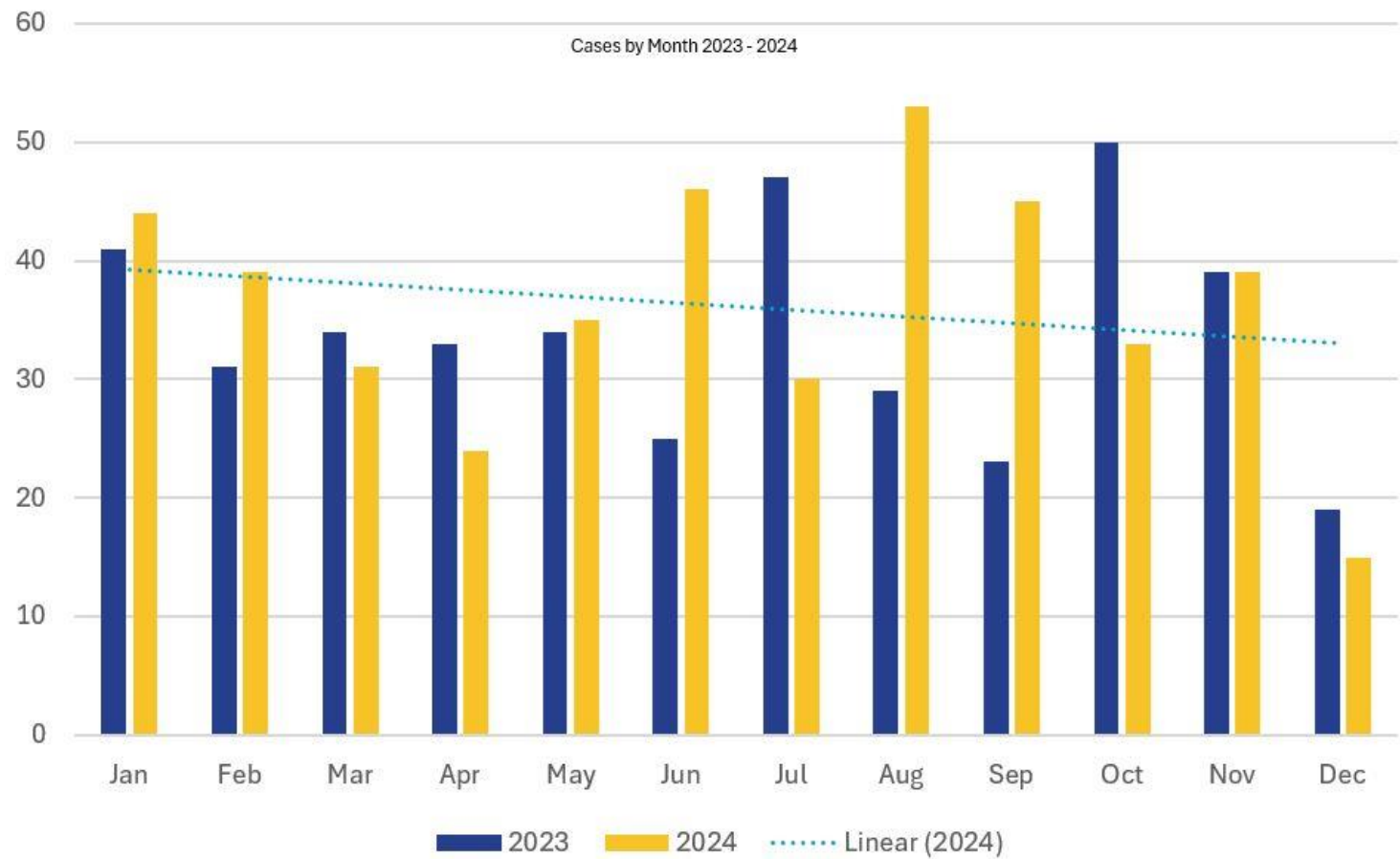
Mechanism:

- KPC: 163
- VIM: 30
- NDM: 37
- IMP: 7
- OXA-48: 16

Acinetobacter only

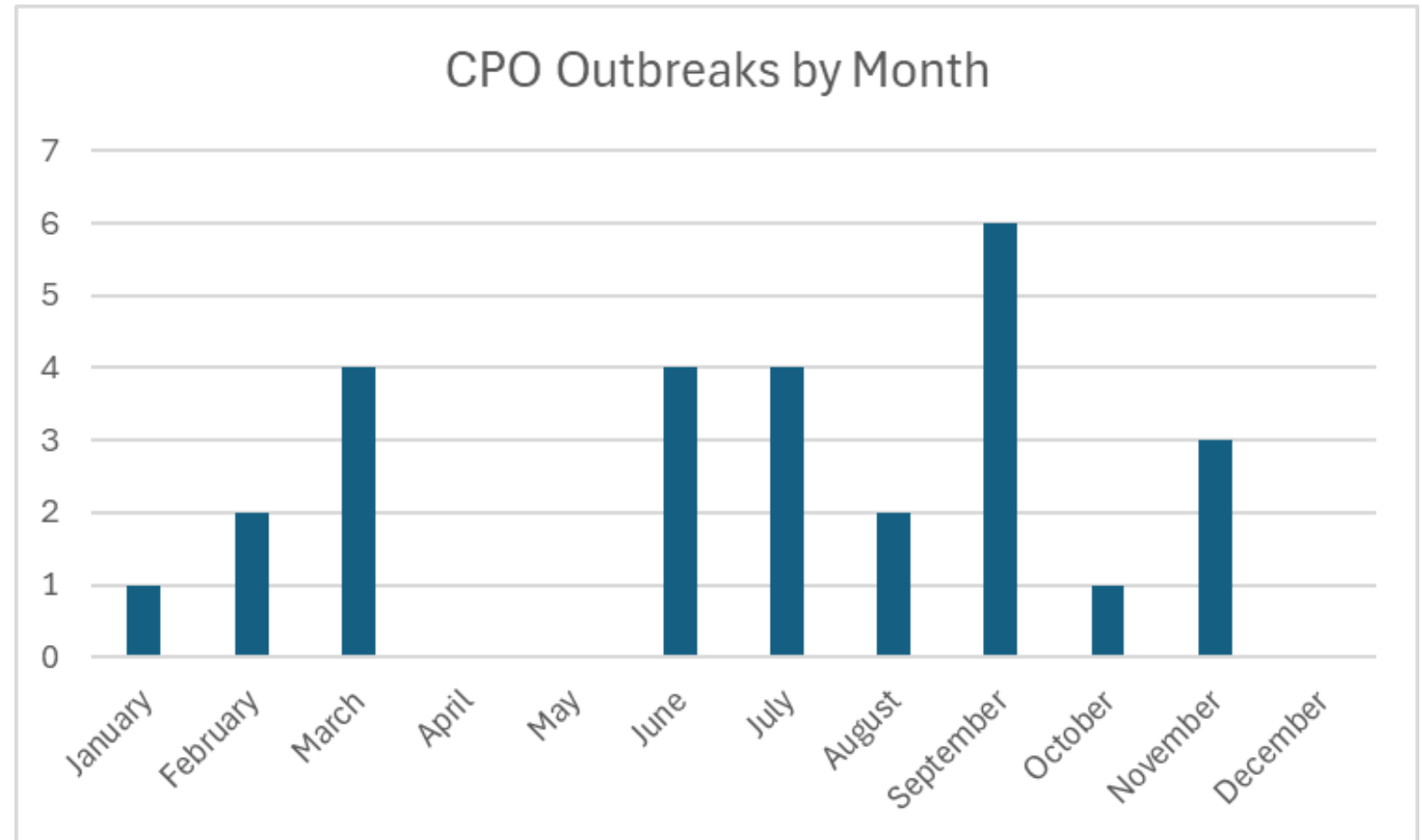
- OXA-23: 58
- OXA-24/40: 109
- OXA-58: 0

Carbapenamase Producing Organisms (CPO) Trends



CPO Outbreaks

- Total Outbreaks: 28
 - CRAB OXA-24/40: 12
 - CRAB OXA-23: 5
 - *E. coli* NDM: 2
 - *K. pneumoniae* KPC: 2
 - CP-CRPA mCIM+/PCR Neg: 1
 - MRSA: 1
 - Multiple MDROs: 1
 - Multiple CP-CRE KPC: 1
 - *S. marcescens* KPC: 1
 - No MDROs: 1



Candida auris (*C. auris*)

- *Candida auris* clinical isolates representing both invasive (e.g., blood and CSF) and non-invasive sources (e.g., urine, wound, and respiratory tract), OR
- Colonized cases diagnosed via a skin or axilla/groin swab used to screen for *C. auris*,

Condition Name in NBS:

- **Candida auris, clinical**
- **Candida auris, colonized**

Reporting Timeframe:

- **Within One Working Day**

Background

- *Candida auris* (*C. auris*) is an emerging multidrug-resistant yeast that can cause invasive infections associated with high mortality.
- *C. auris* can persist on surfaces and medical equipment, spread between patients, and lead to outbreaks in healthcare settings.
- Approximately 40% of the U.S. clinical cases have been bloodstream infections; the rest involved non-sterile sites such as urine, respiratory tract, and wounds.
- *C. auris* can colonize the skin, nares, and other body sites. Patients can be colonized with *C. auris* for long periods of time, even after successful treatment of infection.
- Although patients colonized with *C. auris* in non-sterile sites may not need medical treatment, they can be a source of transmission to other individuals.

*Source CORHA Candida auris <https://www.corha.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Candida-auris-Recommendations-for-Healthcare-Outbreak-Response.pdf>

Background

- Risk of infection or colonization with *C. auris* is greatest among people:
 - With extensive healthcare exposures, especially in long-term care facilities providing ventilator care
 - Infected or colonized with another multidrug-resistant organism, especially carbapenemase-producing organisms (CPOs)
 - With invasive medical devices such as central venous catheters and with tracheostomy, or gastrostomy tubes

C. auris clades

- Clade - A group of biological taxa (such as species) that includes all descendants of one common ancestor
- Originally referred to by their geographic origins.
 - South Asian (Clade I)
 - East Asian (Clade II)
 - African (Clade III)
 - South American (Clade IV)
- Clade V isolates from Iran
- Novel Clade VI isolated in Bangladesh, first published June 2024

Clades, Indiana, and whole genome sequencing (WGS)

- WGS is needed to determine to which clade a *C. auris* isolate belongs
- Due to lack of testing capacity, WGS for *C. auris* previously took many months
 - Had to be done by special request to the CDC
- The Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH) now has the capability to sequence and analyze *C. auris* isolates. Routine testing includes:
 - The first isolate that initially diagnoses a patient with *C. auris*
 - All isolates that exhibit echinocandin resistance
 - Any isolates upon special request

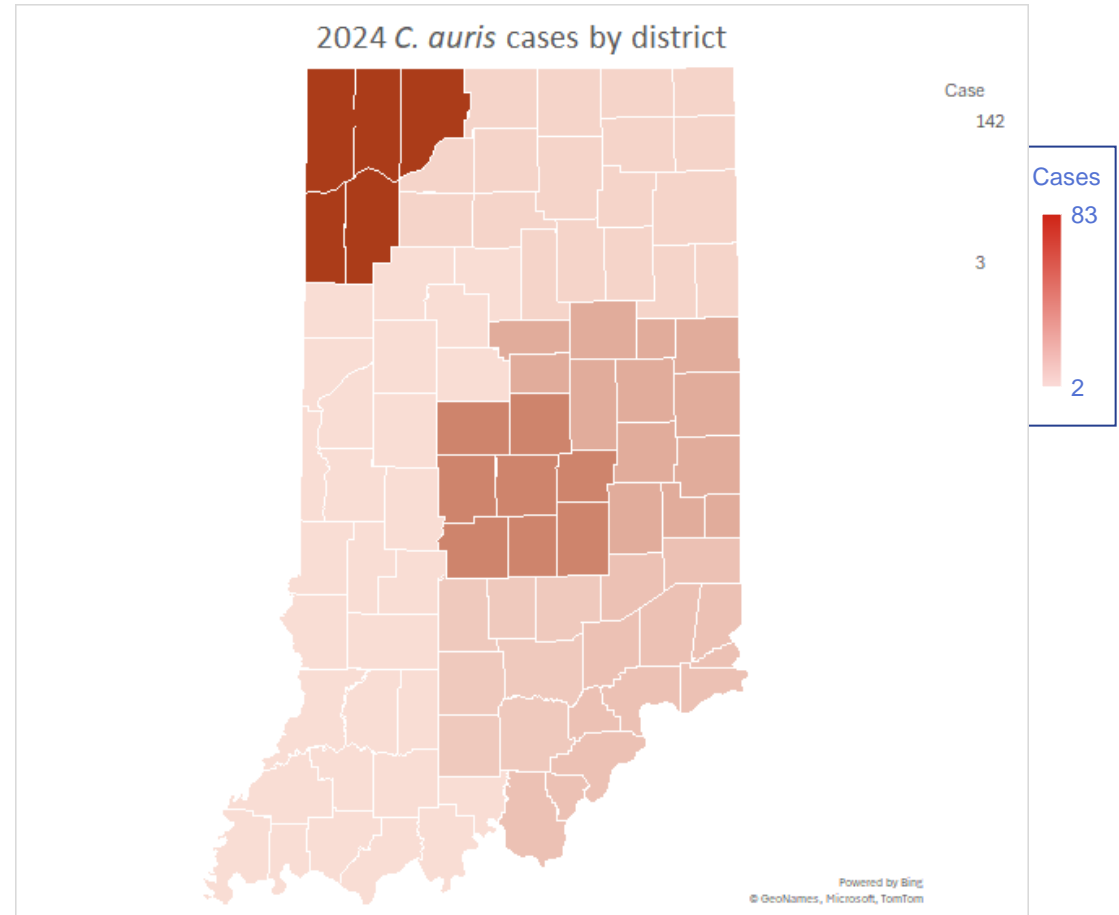
Candida auris (C. auris) Data

2023: 279

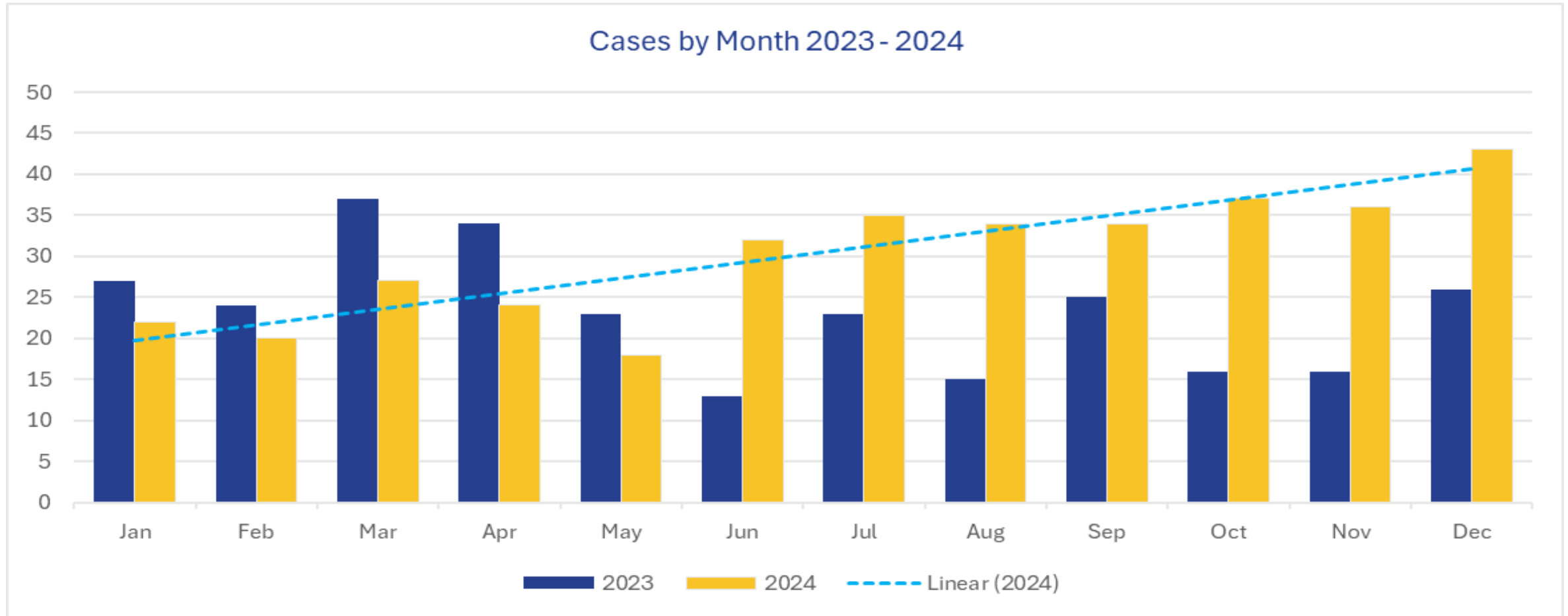
- Clinical: 105 (37.6%)
- Screening: 174 (62.3%)

2024: 362

- Clinical: 166 (45.8%)
- Screening: 196 (54.1%)



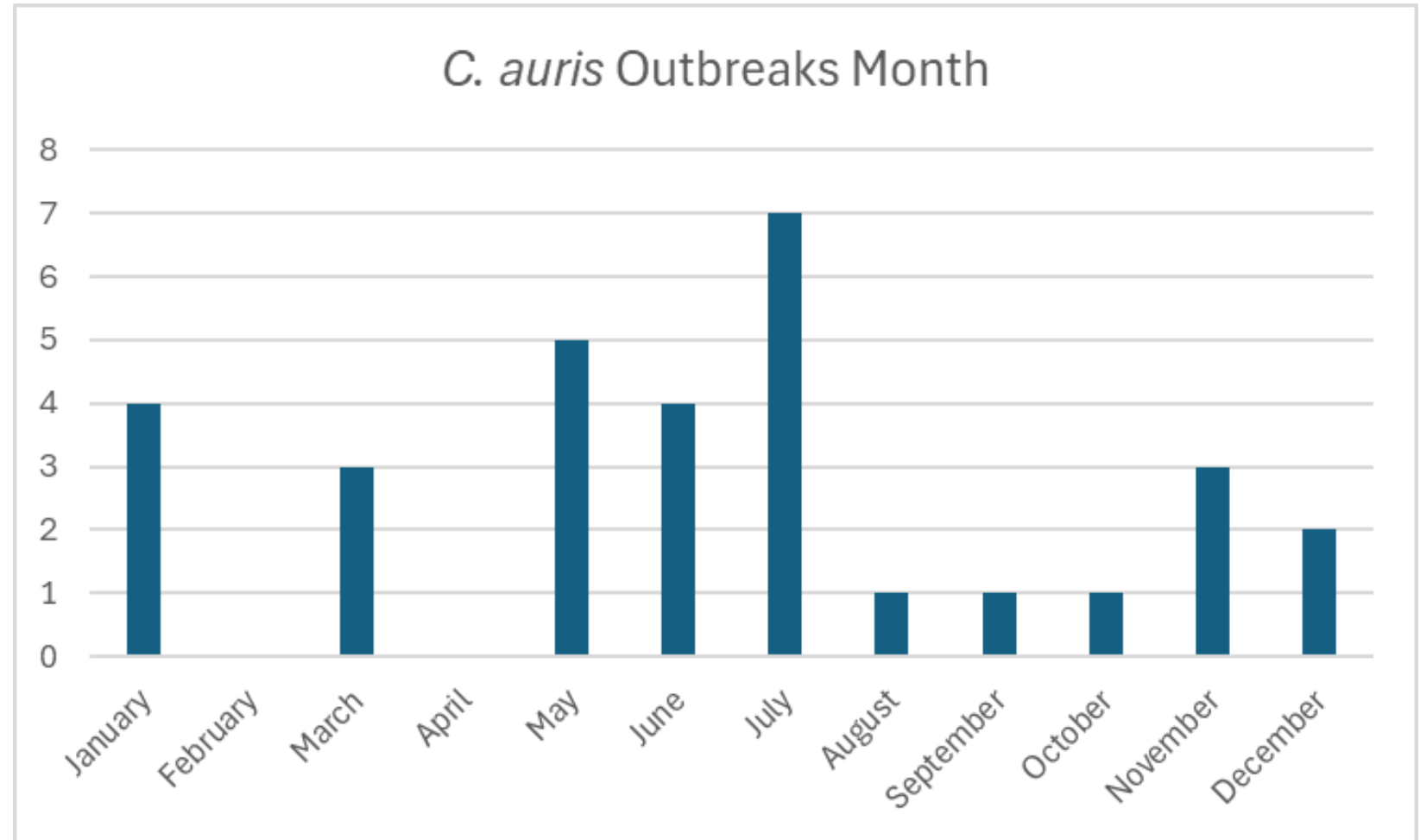
Candida auris (C. auris) Trends



Candida auris Outbreaks

Total: 32

- Two responses due to echinocandin resistance
- One response due to organ donor involvement



United States *C. auris* Antifungal Resistance

Amphotericin B	echinocandins	Fluconazole
30 %	2 %	90 %

Please note that a finding of an elevated minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) for an antifungal drug should not necessarily preclude its use. This is especially true if the use of other antifungal drugs for the patient has been ineffective.

Based on these MIC breakpoints, many isolates are resistant to multiple classes of drugs. Some U.S. *C. auris* isolates have been found to be resistant to all three classes of antifungal drugs. CDC has received reports of pan-resistance found in other countries as well.

*Source <https://www.cdc.gov/candida-auris/hcp/laboratories/antifungal-susceptibility-testing.html>

*For treatment information go to: <https://www.cdc.gov/candida-auris/hcp/clinical-care/index.html>

Indiana *C. auris* Antifungal Resistance thru 2023

YEAR	Micafungin	Anidulafungin	Caspofungin	Fluconazole	Amphotericin B
Breakpoint	≥ 4	≥ 4	≥ 2	≥ 32	MIC ≥ 2 E TEST ≥ 1.5
2020 N=34	0	0	0	74.47 %	0
2021 N=77	0	0	0	71.0 %	0
2022 N-145	0.69 %	0.69 %	0.7 %	70.83 %	2.78 %
2023 N=180	0.56 %	0.56 %	0.68 %	83.33 %	7.78 %

For surveillance purposes only

C. auris reporting form



Candida auris Reporting Form

Please submit one report per patient per admission within one working day. Attach all laboratory results including antibiotic susceptibility test results. Fax form with the Confidential Report Form to Indiana Department of Health (317)-234-2812 or upload to NBS Morbidity Report.

Reporting Facility: _____

Reporter Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Patient information

Patient name:	NBS ID:
DOB:	Phone:
Address:	County:
Did the patient die? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Date of death:

Laboratory Information ***Attach all laboratory reports and antibiotic susceptibility testing results.***

Organism:	Collection date:
Specimen site:	<input type="checkbox"/> Clinical culture <input type="checkbox"/> Colonization culture

Clinical information ***Attach all history and physical reports available.***

Admission date: From: <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer form used upon admission		Discharge date: To: <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer form used upon discharge	
Contact precautions start date: Were bleach cleaning products used? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Roommates: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Dates:	
Invasive devices at time of specimen collection <input type="checkbox"/> Central venous line <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical vent <input type="checkbox"/> Tracheostomy <input type="checkbox"/> Urinary catheter <input type="checkbox"/> Wound VAC <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	Invasive procedures in past 6 months:	History of MDROs <input type="checkbox"/> MRSA <input type="checkbox"/> VRSA <input type="checkbox"/> VRE <input type="checkbox"/> ESBL <input type="checkbox"/> CRE <input type="checkbox"/> Drug-resistant PA <input type="checkbox"/> Drug-resistant AB	Recent travel history <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Where: When:
Hospitalized in the last 3 months in acute care hospital or long-term care facility? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Facility name:	Resident of a long-term care facility? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Facility name:	Antibiotic use in past 30 days Antibiotic: Start date: Stop date:	Treatment Antibiotic: Start date: Stop date:
Preexisting Conditions: <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes mellitus <input type="checkbox"/> Heart failure/CHF <input type="checkbox"/> Emphysema/COPD <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic renal insufficiency/chronic renal disease <input type="checkbox"/> Obesity <input type="checkbox"/> Acute/Chronic respiratory failure <input type="checkbox"/> Peri/Hemi/Quadriplegia <input type="checkbox"/> Wound/Ulcer/Abscess <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic/Recurring UTI <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer/Malignancy <input type="checkbox"/> Other:			

Recommendations



Candida auris Reporting Form

Please submit one report per patient per admission within one working day. Attach all laboratory results including antibiotic susceptibility test results. Fax form with the Confidential Report Form to Indiana Department of Health (317)-234-2812 or upload to NBS Morbidity Report.

We recommend placing the patient in enhanced barrier contact precautions (if applicable).
We recommend the use of an approved cleaning product from [EPA List P](#).
We recommend flagging the patient chart in case the patient is readmitted to limit transmission.
We recommend utilizing a transfer form if patient is transferred.
If the patient had a roommate, we have a concern of transmission. Screening may be recommended.
If you would like additional resources, please visit the [HAI/AR Website](#).

Pandrug-Resistant Organisms

- Pandrug-resistant Organisms
- Any isolates that shows intermediate or resistant to all antimicrobials tested

**Condition Name
in NBS:**

- **Pandrug-resistant
Organisms**

**Reporting
Timeframe:**

- **Within One
Working Day**

VISA/VRSA

Vancomycin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (VRSA) and Vancomycin-intermediate *Staphylococcus aureus* (VISA) from any site

- Vancomycin Resistant: MIC \geq 16
- Vancomycin Intermediate: MIC 4-8

Condition Name in NBS:

- VRSA
- *S. aureus*, vancomycin intermediate susc (VISA)

Reporting Timeframe:

- Within One Working Day

VISA, VRSA, and Pan-Drug Resistant Organisms

- VISA: All time- 3 Confirmed Cases
- VRSA: All time- 0 Confirmed Cases
- Pan-drug Resistant: 2023-12 confirmed cases. 2024- 9 confirmed cases

Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR)

- What if multiple individuals who test positive for an MDRO were at the same facility?
 - Confirmation that all individuals were at the facility would occur
- IDOH would work with the facility and suggest an onsite visit
 - A team from IDOH would meet with stakeholders at the facility
 - An ICAR tool would be completed by the infection prevention team at IDOH
 - Usually takes two to three hours:
 - Roundtable discussion with leadership, facility infection preventionist (IP), and housekeeping manager
 - Involves walking through the facility and observing staff performing their routine work where the cases reside

ICAR tool and IP scope

“ICAR tools are used to systematically assess a healthcare facility’s infection prevention and control (IPC) practices and guide quality improvement activities (e.g., by addressing identified gaps).” - CDC

We use the Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR) tools to work with facilities across the state of Indiana to enhance infection prevention practices and improve outcomes for patients, staff, and residents

- Long-term Cares and Assisted Livings
- Long-term Care Acute Hospitals (LTACHs)
- Acute Care Hospitals (ACH)
- Department of Corrections (DOC)/Prisons’ infirmaries
- Dental facilities
- Dialysis facilities

Outbreak ICAR: Targeted MDRO

Targeted MDRO Outbreak in a healthcare setting is identified.

- *C. auris* outbreak- two or more *Candida auris* cases with an epidemiological link.
- CPO outbreak- two or more CPOs of the same organism and mechanism occur in a 4-week period in patients who are epidemiologically linked or determined to be genetically related by laboratory testing.

IDOH offers an ICAR

- Assessment is educational.
 - Discussion with facility infection prevention personnel.
 - Review of facility policy and procedure.
 - Direct observations.

Benefits of an ICAR

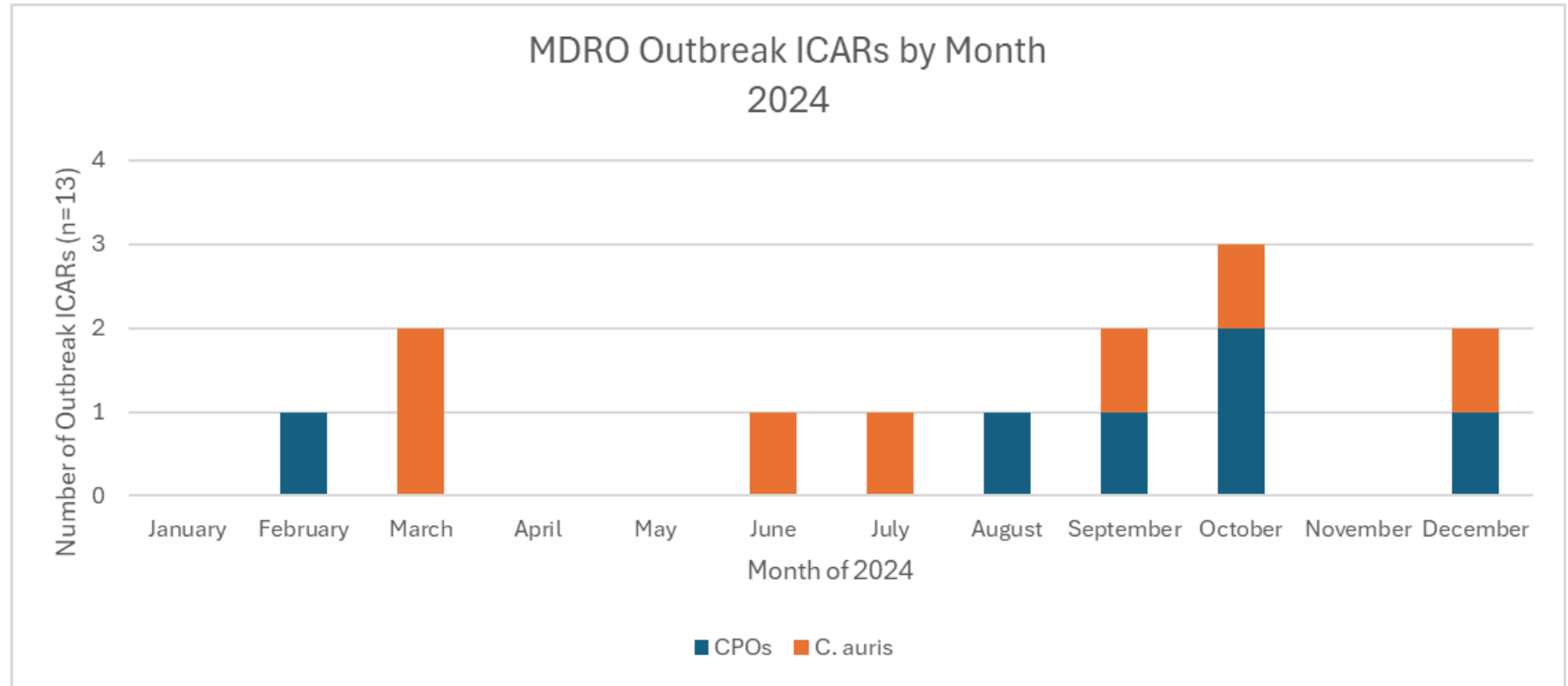
- Potential identification of gaps in infection prevention practices that should be corrected
- Performance of the ICAR is collaborative and in no way punitive
- Increased awareness by:
 - Staff regarding the target organism
 - Staff regarding IP practices
 - Leadership regarding need for resources

The point prevalence survey (PPS)

- A key tool for public health
- Per CDC recommendations:
 - Should be used if evidence of transmission in a facility
 - Every patient on a given unit or floor where transmission is suspected should be screened
- IDOH facilitates supplies through our AR (antimicrobial resistance) lab network reference facility

ICARs in 2024

- Total: 13
- CPO: 6 outbreak ICARs
- *C. auris*: 7 outbreak ICARs



Questions?

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