

Appendix F:

Acronyms and Abbreviations

Acronym	Meaning
AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics
ACIP	Advisory Committee on Immunizations Practices
AFM	Acute Flaccid Myelitis
AFRI	Acute febrile respiratory illness
Ag	Antigen
AIDS	Acquired immune deficiency syndrome
ALF	Assisted living facility
APIC	Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology
ARDS	Acute respiratory distress syndrome
ARI	Acute respiratory illness
ASAP	As soon as possible
ASHRAE	American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers
AVR	Antiviral resistant
BAL	Bronchoalveolar lavage
BMI	Body mass index
BSL	Biosafety Level
BT	Bioterrorism
BCYE	Buffered charcoal yeast extract (agar)
ccIV	Cell culture-based inactivated influenza vaccine
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CIDRAP	Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy (University of Minnesota)
CIDT	Culture-independent diagnostic testing
CLIA	Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments
CLSI	Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute
CMS	Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services
CMV	Cytomegalovirus
CNS	Central nervous system
CO	(DSHS) Central office
CO ₂	Carbon dioxide
COB	Close of business
COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CRE	Carbapenem-resistant <i>Enterobacterales</i>
CRS	Congenital rubella syndrome
CSF	Cerebrospinal fluid
CSTE	Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists
CSV	Comma-separated values
Cx	Culture
DFA	Direct fluorescent antibody test
DGMQ	(CDC) Division of Global Migration and Quarantine
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
DOB	Date of birth
DOD	Date of death
DSHS	(Texas) Department of State Health Services
DTP	Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Pertussis (vaccine)
TT	Tetanus toxoids

Acronym	Meaning
ED	Emergency department
EIA	Enzyme immunoassay (interchangeable with ELISA)
ELC	Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity
ELISA	Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (interchangeable with EIA)
ELITE	Environmental Legionella Isolation Techniques Evaluation (program)
EMS	Emergency medical services
ER	Emergency room
ERT	(DSHS) Epidemiology Response Team
EVD	Ebola virus disease
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FLA	Free living ameba
FTM	Flu transport medium
GAE	Granulomatous Amebic Encephalitis
GAS	Group A Streptococcus
GBS	Group B Streptococcus
GISN	(WHO) Global Influenza Surveillance Network
HAI	Healthcare-associated infection
HAV	Hepatitis A virus
HBcAg	Hepatitis B core antigen
HBeAg	Hepatitis B e antigen
HBIG	Hepatitis B immune globulin
HBsAg	Hepatitis B virus surface antigen
HBV	Hepatitis B virus
HCP	Healthcare provider/professional
HCV	Hepatitis C virus
HCW	Healthcare worker
HD	Health department
HHS	Health and Human Services
HI	Hemagglutination inhibition
Hib	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type B
HICPAC	Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee
HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus
HPAI	Highly pathogenic avian influenza
HSR	(DSHS) Health Service Region
HVAC	Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning
Hx	History
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IC	Infection control
ICD	International Classification of Diseases
ICP	Infection control practitioner
ICS	Incident command system
ICU	Intensive care unit
ID	Identification
IDCU	(DSHS) Infectious Disease Control Unit
IG	Immune globulin

Acronym	Meaning
IgA	Immunoglobulin A
IgG	Immunoglobulin G
IGIV	Immune globulin intravenous
IgM	Immunoglobulin M
IHC	Immunohistochemical
IIF	Indirect Immunofluorescence
IISP	Influenza Incidence Surveillance Project
IIV	Inactivated influenza vaccine
IIV3	Trivalent inactivated influenza vaccine
IIV4	Quadrivalent inactivated influenza vaccine
ILI	Influenza-like illness
ILINet	U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network
IM	Intramuscular
ImmTrac	(Texas Immunization registry)
IP	Infection preventionist
IPV	Inactivated Polio Vaccine
IRID	(DSHS) Infectious Respiratory and Invasive Disease (Team)
ITM	Influenza transport medium
IVDU	Intravenous Drug Use(r)
IVIG	Intravenous immunoglobulin
KPC	<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> carbapenemase
LAIV	Live, attenuated influenza vaccine
LHD	Local health department
LIMS	Laboratory information management system
LRN	Laboratory Response Network
LTC	Long term care (facility)
MAARI	Medically attended acute respiratory illness
MC	Mail code
MD	Medical doctor
MDRO	Multidrug-resistant organisms
MHT	Modified Hodge test
MMR	Measles, mumps, and rubella (vaccine)
MMWR	Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report
MOA	Memorandum of agreement
MOU	Memorandum of understanding
MRSA	Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
MSSA	Methicillin-sensitive <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
N/A	Not applicable
NAT	Nucleic acid testing
NBS	NEDSS Base System
NDM	New Delhi Metallo-beta-lactamase
NEDSS	National Electronic Disease Surveillance System
NF	Necrotizing fasciitis
NORS	National Outbreak Reporting System
NPI	National provider identifier

Acronym	Meaning
NREVSS	National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System
NVSN	New Vaccine Surveillance Network
OP	Oropharyngeal
OPV	Oral Polio Vaccine
OTC	Over-the-counter
PAHO	Pan American Health Organization
PAM	Primary amebic meningoencephalitis
PCV7	Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine 7-valent
PCV13	Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine 13-valent
PFGE	Pulsed-field gel electrophoresis
PCR	Polymerase chain reaction
PEP	Post exposure prophylaxis
PHEP	Public Health Emergency Preparedness
PHLIMS	Public health laboratory information management system
PHP	Public Health Preparedness
PIO	Public Information Office
PO	<i>Per os</i> (oral administration) or post office
PPE	Personal protective equipment
PPSV23	Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine 23-valent
PPV	Positive predictive value
ProMed	Program for Monitoring Emerging Diseases
PUI	Patient under investigation
PVA	Polyvinyl alcohol
RHD	Regional health department
RIV	Recombinant (hemagglutinin) influenza vaccine
RNA	Ribonucleic acid
rRT-PCR	Real-time reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction
SARI	Severe acute respiratory illness
SHD	State health department
SOB	Shortness of breath
SSN	Social security number
SST	Serum separator tube
Sx	Symptoms
TAC	Texas Administrative Code
TAHC	Texas Animal Health Commission
Td	Tetanus-diphtheria (vaccine)
Tdap	Tetanus toxoid, Reduced Diphtheria toxoid, Acellular Pertussis (vaccine) (7 & older)
TIG	Tetanus immune globulin
TIV	Trivalent inactivated vaccine (used prior to 2013-14 influenza season)
TMP-SMP	Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole (antibiotic)
TPI	Texas provider identifier
TPW	Texas Parks and Wildlife
TSS	Toxic shock syndrome
TT	Tetanus toxoid
USMU	(CDC) US-Mexico Unit

Acronym	Meaning
UTM	Universal transport medium
VariZIG	Varicella Zoster immune globulin
VHF	Viral hemorrhagic fever
VISA	Vancomycin-intermediate <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
VPD	Vaccine preventable disease
VRSA	Vancomycin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
VTM	Viral transport medium
VZV	Varicella zoster virus
WHO	World Health Organization