**Background.** Norovirus is a leading cause of acute gastroenteritis (AGE) across the age spectrum; candidate vaccines are in clinical trials. While norovirus diagnostic testing is increasingly available, stool testing may not be performed routinely, which can hamper surveillance and burden of disease estimates. Our objectives were to understand physicians' stool testing practices in outpatients with AGE, and physician knowledge of norovirus, in order to improve surveillance and prepare for vaccine introduction.

Methods. Internet and mail survey on AGE and norovirus conducted January to March 2018 among national networks of primary care pediatricians (Peds), family practice (FP) and general internal medicine (GIM) physicians.

Results. The response rate was 59% (820/1,383). During peak AGE season, physicians estimated they ordered stool tests for a median of 15% (interquartile range: 5-33%) of their outpatients with AGE. Stool tests were more often available for ova and parasites, Clostridioides difficile, and bacterial culture (>95% for all specialties) than for norovirus (6-33% across specialties); even when available, norovirus-specific tests were infrequently ordered. Most providers were unaware that norovirus is a leading cause of AGE across all age groups (Peds 80%, FP 86%, GIM 89%) or that alcohol-based hand sanitizers are ineffective against norovirus (Peds 51%, FP 66%, GIM 62%).

Conclusion. Physicians infrequently order stool tests for outpatients with AGE, and have knowledge gaps on norovirus prevalence and hand hygiene for prevention. Understanding the limitations of surveillance that relies on physician-ordered stool diagnostics, and closing physician knowledge gaps, can help support norovirus vaccine introduction.

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#### 1625. Risk of Invasive Group A Streptococcus, Group B Streptococcus, and Streptococcus pneumoniae Infection Among Adults Experiencing Homelessness-Anchorage, Alaska, 2002-2015

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Background. People experiencing homelessness (PEH) have an increased risk of infectious disease. However, for many infections, this increased risk has not been clearly quantified. For example, the risk of invasive streptococcal infection has not been established among PEH in the United States.

We compared the incidence of detected cases of invasive group Methods. Streptococcus (GAS) infection, group B Streptococcus (GBS) infection, and А Streptococcus pneumoniae (pneumococcal) infection among adult PEH to that in the general adult population in Anchorage, Alaska from 2005 through 2015 using data from the CDC Arctic Investigations Program surveillance system, the US census, and the Anchorage Point in Time count (PIT [a yearly census of PEH]).

Results. During 2005–2015, the PIT counted a mean number of 970 adults (minimum 795, maximum 1486) in Anchorage who were homeless, which accounted for 0.4% of the total population. Compared with the general population, PEH were 53 times as likely to have invasive GAS infection (95% CI 47-61), 7 times as likely to have invasive GBS infection (95% CI 6, 8), and 36 times as likely to have invasive pneumococcal infection (95% CI 33, 40). Of all invasive GAS cases in Anchorage over the time period, 19% occurred within the homeless population, while 3% of invasive GBS cases and 14% of invasive pneumococcal cases were within the homeless population. Additionally, the predominant subtypes of GAS and pneumococcus differed among PEH compared with the general population.

A disproportionate burden of invasive streptococcal disease in Conclusion. Anchorage was detected among PEH, indicating a need for further focus on this high-risk group.

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#### 1626. A Primary Amebic Meningoencephalitis Case Associated with Surfing in an Inland Surf Park

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Background. Naegleria fowleri is a thermophilic ameba that is found in freshwater and causes primary amebic meningoencephalitis (PAM; 0-8 infections per year in the United States) when it enters the nose and migrates to the brain. Patient exposure to water containing the ameba typically occurs in warm freshwater lakes and ponds during recreational water activities. In September 2018, a 29-year-old man died of PAM after visiting a Texas inland surf park.

Methods. To determine water exposures, we reviewed medical records and conducted interviews with family and individuals who had traveled with the patient. To further investigate the inland surf park as a possible exposure source, we visited the facility and collected water, biofilm, and sediment samples from the surf park and other venues (water slides, lazy river, and cable park) within the facility. We assessed water sources and treatment practices, performed water quality tests, and tested for the presence of N. fowleri by culture and real-time PCR.

Results Interviews revealed that the case-patient's most probable water exposure in the 10 days before becoming ill occurred while surfing in an inland freshwater surf park where he fell off the surfboard into the water multiple times. The on-site investigation of the facility revealed a practice of manual chlorine treatment with monitoring, but no water filtering or record keeping to document water quality. Surf park water temperature was warm (25°C) and chlorine residual was negligible. N. fowleri was detected in 1 water and 1 sediment sample collected at the cable park venue, and viable thermophilic amebae were detected in all samples collected from the surf park, water slide, and cable park venues, as well from the sediment in the open-air groundwater reservoir feeding the venues.

Conclusion. This investigation documents a novel exposure in an inland surf park as the likely exposure causing PAM. Conditions in the surf park were conducive to amebic growth. Novel types of recreational water venues that do not meet traditional definitions of swimming pools, such as this surf park, might not meet the water quality standards for pools or similar treated venues. Clinicians and public health officials should remain vigilant for nontraditional exposures to water.

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Background. Klebsiella pneumoniae is a frequent cause of neonatal sepsis and carries a high mortality rate in lower and middle-income countries (LMICs). From March-November 2015, two Jamaican hospitals experienced K. pneumoniae outbreaks in their Special Care Nurseries (SCNs). New admissions to both SCNs were temporarily halted while additional infection control strategies were implemented. 31 babies were infected, of which 15 died. International collaboration was requested to help investigate if the sepsis cases were nosocomial transmission, repeated introductions from the community, or both using whole-genome sequencing

We sequenced DNA from 19 outbreak isolates (n = 13 from Hospital Methods. A, n = 6 from Hospital B) on an Illumina HiSeq2500 instrument and assembled short-reads using SPAdes. We used ResFinder v3.1.0 to screen resistance genes and assigned MLSTs using in-house scripts. To compare the outbreak isolates, we selected a reference genome from among the assembled isolates, aligned raw reads using the Burrows-Wheeler Aligner (BWA), identified SNPs using GATK UnifiedGenotyper, and removed the recombined regions using Gubbins v2.3.4. We further contextualized the 19 outbreak isolates against a global collection of more than 300 K. pneumoniae genomes

Results. All 13 isolates from Hospital A appeared to be from a single source. All were ST45 and encoded  $bla_{CTX,M,15}$ , which confers extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactam (ESBL) resistance. Five of 6 isolates from Hospital B appeared to be from a separate, single source. These 5 isolates were ST268 and susceptible to most antibiotics. 1 isolate from Hospital B was ST628, encoded *bla*<sub>CTX.M-15</sub>, and grouped separately from other Hospital B outbreak isolates. Hospital A and B outbreak isolates formed independent, unique clades within a global K. pneumoniae collection.

**Conclusion**. Our findings indicate nosocomial transmission was responsible for both neonatal *K. pneumoniae* outbreaks, rather than repeat introductions from the community. The main sequence types we detected (ST45 and ST268) are not known pandemic clones and may circulate regionally. Multifaceted infection control measures were implemented for effectively halting outbreaks.

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#### 1628. Clinical, Epidemiological and Microbiological Characterization of Invasive Streptococcus pneumoniae Disease in Hospitalized Adults from 5 Tertiary Hospitals in Bogotá, Colombia: A Descriptive Study

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