

Strong Memorial Hospital Seasonal Respiratory Virus Report – week ending 30 Apr 2016

Report highlights: The incidence of influenza A infection continues a steady decline, however, influenza B positive results remain elevated despite reductions in pertinent test volume (% positive is increasing for influenza B). RSV positive results are in steady decline. Coronavirus was elevated several weeks ago before declining to zero, but we are now seeing some cases again. We have been seeing an increasing number of rhinovirus/enterovirus positive results (the primary modes of testing cannot discriminate between closely related rhinoviruses and enteroviruses).

Results from the Strong Memorial Hospital microbiology lab for the previous 8 weeks are shown graphically as described below. The graphs display several components of testing, including changes in positive test results and testing volume with time, and positive test results divided into relevant age groups. The example below describes the different features of the graphs. Graphs will only be shown in the report when there is recent activity (>2 cases in the current week, or >5 cases in a given week in the reporting period).









