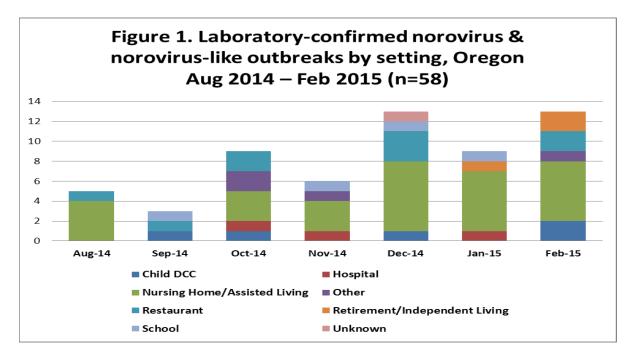
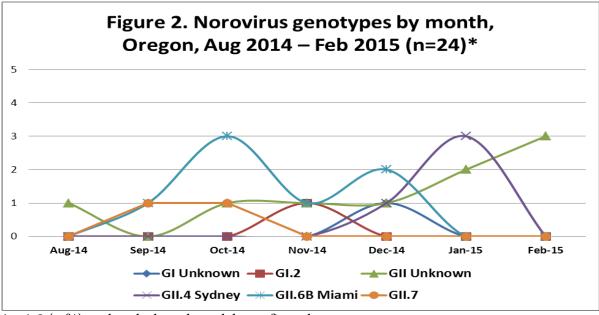
**OREGON NOROVIRUS WATCH, FEBRUARY 2015**. This issue of *Oregon Norovirus Watch* includes norovirus outbreak data from the 2014-2015 norovirus season. In February 2015, there were 13 reported norovirus or norovirus-like outbreaks of which 6/13 (46%) were in Nursing homes/Assisted living facilities.



Since August 2014, 29/58 (50%) lab-confirmed and norovirus-like outbreaks occurred in Nursing homes/Assisted living facilities. The most common norovirus genogroup subtype observed this season is GII.6B "Miami" with 7/24 (29%) lab-confirmed outbreaks since August 2014. Subtype GII.4 "Sydney" has been lab-confirmed in 4/24 (17%) outbreaks since August 2014.





<sup>\*24/58 (41%)</sup> outbreaks have been lab-confirmed

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