OREGON NOROVIRUS WATCH, JULY 2017. This issue of Oregon Norovirus Watch includes norovirus outbreak data from the 2016–2017 norovirus season. In the month of July 2017, 11 norovirus or norovirus-like outbreaks were reported, of which 4 (36%) were in nursing homes, and 3 (27%) were in camps, and 1 (9%) occurred in a child day care center, school, hospital, and private residence each. Since July 2016, 131 (64%) of 214 lab-confirmed and norovirus-like outbreaks occurred in nursing homes or assisted-living facilities (Fig. 1). The majority of confirmed norovirus outbreaks reported since June 2016 were caused by GII genogroup (Fig 2, n=85, 74%). As of July 17th, CDC has updated nomenclature for some of the norovirus genotypes. This includes capturing the new Polymerase-Capsid typing data. As a result, all GII.4 Untypeable outbreaks are now typed as GII.4 Sydney (n=42, 37%). This change is reflected below.

*115 (56%) of 204 suspected norovirus outbreaks have been confirmed by positive lab results from ≥2 patients. GI* and GII* denote outbreaks that only had 1 positive sample

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