OREGON NOROVIRUS WATCH, JUNE 2017. This issue of Oregon Norovirus Watch includes norovirus outbreak data from the 2016–2017 norovirus season. In the month of June 2017, 13 norovirus or norovirus-like outbreaks were reported, of which 10 (77%) were in nursing homes, and 1 (8%) were in a school, day care center, and hospital each (8%). Since June 2016, 137 (65%) of 212 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 (n=87, 77%). The most common norovirus strain among confirmed outbreaks since June 2016 has been GII.4 Untypeable (n=40, 35%).

Figure 1. Laboratory-confirmed norovirus & norovirus-like outbreaks by setting type and month Oregon, June 2016 - June 2017 (n=212)

LTC: long term care, ALC: Assisted living facility, DCC: Day Care Center, "Other": includes hotels, workplaces, private homes, caterers

*113 (53%) of 212 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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