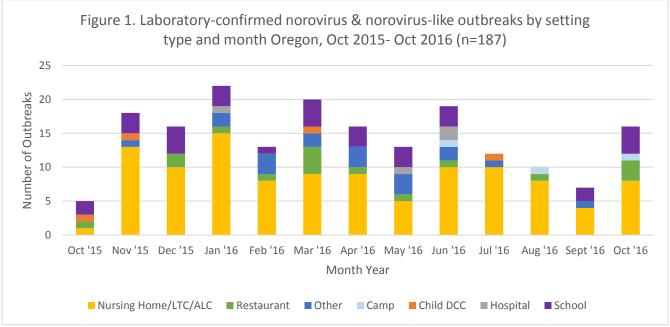
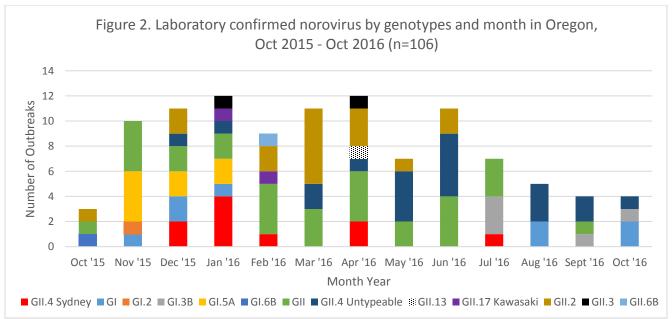
## **OREGON NOROVIRUS WATCH, OCTOBER 2016**. This issue of *Oregon Norovirus Watch* includes norovirus outbreak data from the 2015–2016 norovirus season. In the month of October 2016, 16 norovirus or norovirus-like outbreaks were reported, of which 8 (50%) were in nursing homes, 4 (25%)



were in schools, 3 (19%) were in restaurants, and 1 (6%) in other settings. Since October 2015, 110 (59%) of 187 lab-confirmed and norovirus-like outbreaks occurred in nursing homes or assisted-living facilities (Fig. 1). Over the last year, GII.4 Sydney was identified in 10 (9%) of 102 lab-confirmed outbreaks. We continue to see the number of GII.4 Sydney norovirus outbreaks decrease and the number of other GII strains outbreaks increase (Fig.2).



LTC: long term care ALC Assisted living facility \*"Other" includes hotels, workplaces, private homes, caterers



<sup>\*106 (57%)</sup> of 187 suspected norovirus outbreaks have been confirmed by positive lab results from ≥2 patients.

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