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As of 3:30pm October 16, 2009, there are no confirmed cases of bacterial meningitis in Huron County. Preliminary results reveal no growth in blood or spinal fluid. We will continue to monitor lab results. Once we have definite results we will notify the community.

Signs and Symptoms

Meningitis infection is characterized by sudden onset of fever, headache, stiff neck. It is often accompanied by other symptoms, such as, nausea, vomiting, photophobia (sensitivity to light), and altered mental status. If anyone is experiencing these symptoms, they should see their doctor.

Prevention

Keeping up to date with recommended immunizations is the best defense. Good hygiene is also an important way to prevent most infections. Avoid sharing drinking glasses, water bottles, eating utensils, tissues, and lip-gloss/lipsticks. Wash hands with soap and water.

More information on meningitis can be found at the CDC website <http://www.cdc.gov/meningitis/about/index.html> or call Huron County Health Department at (989) 269-9721 ext. 132 or 130.