**Huron County School Absentee Surveillance**

 **Online reporting**

School Absentee Surveillance is a way to track illness in schools and the community for individuals that may not see a doctor. Absentee surveillance benefits schools because it can be used to identify suspicious health events in your school or school districts.

**Online School Absentee Surveillance System:**

* Schools enter directly into the website which takes less than 5 minutes a day.
* Information is entered daily.
* Symptoms are tracked which are better for identifying illness.
* Data can be checked daily with minimal effort.

**What information do we collect?**

* Information on symptoms (cough, fever, rash, etc.).
* Information collected is aggregated and completely confidential.
* We **DO NOT** collect names, ages, genders, or any other identifiable information.

**How do we collect the information?**

* School staff will spend less than 5 minutes daily entering data into an online Survey. Using the link [www.huroncohealth.com/school-absentee-surveillance](http://www.huroncohealth.com/school-absentee-surveillance) Click on the *School Data Entry* button. You should be directed to a SurveyMonkey survey.
* Staff will use laminated reporting sheets and a whiteboard marker to tally absent children’s symptoms.
* Parents will be asked to VOLUNTEER their child’s symptoms. Parents are not required to participate.

There will be **NO COST** to schools except for 5 minutes of staff time for data entry and time for training.

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