

# Weekly Flu Update

City of Columbus & Franklin County, Ohio

December 17-23, 2017



**Flu Intensity Per Week This Flu Season** (October 2016 - May 2017)



↑ **Lab-Confirmed Positive Influenza Diagnoses**  
**21.4% Positive** (up 84% from last week)



↑ **Confirmed Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations**  
**56 Hospitalizations** (up 87% from last week)



↑ **Visits To Primary Care Providers\* Reporting Influenza-Like Illness** (\*Providers in athenaHealth® Network)  
**6.0 per 1,000 visits** (up 28% from last week)



↑ **Emergency Department (ED) Visits with Complaint Defined as Influenza-Like Illness**  
**24.0% of All ED Visits** (up 19% from last week)

**Protect your health & prevent getting & spreading the flu by:**

-  Getting a flu shot every year.
-  Washing your hands.
-  Covering your cough.
-  Staying home when sick.

All data is preliminary and may change as updated reports are received.  
For more detailed reports of weekly flu activity, visit [www.columbus.gov/FluReports](http://www.columbus.gov/FluReports)

