**Appendix #: Novel respiratory disease of public health concern– *(insert name of disease)***

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Whilst the Influenza Outbreak Management Plan can be used to manage an outbreak of *(insert disease),* **regular updates to the facility’s outbreak response will be indicated** according to evolving information becoming available about the disease and the ongoing impact of the outbreak to staff, residents and the broader community.

Metro North Public Health Unit will provide advice in the event of an outbreak.

Documents that will guide a response include:

* *(Insert disease) National Guidelines for Public Health Units* (Communicable Diseases Network Australia): <https://www1.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/cdnasongs.htm>
* *(Insert further documents when available)*

Resources are available via the following links:

* *(Insert relevant web sites when available e.g. Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission, Australian Department of Health, Queensland Health, etc.)*

**Pathogen:**

* *(insert pathogen)*

**Disease:**

* *(insert disease)*

**Mode of transmission:**

* *(insert mode of transmission)*

**Infection control precautions:**

* *(insert Contact, Droplet and/or Airborne Precautions as recommended by national guidelines)*
* *(Insert personal protective equipment indicated for routine cares and specimen collection)*

**Infectious period**:

* *(Insert infectious period if known)*

**Case management:**

* *(Insert case definition)*
* *(Insert recommendations to prevent further spread of the disease within the facility)*
* *(Include clearance process, if indicated)*

**Contact management:**

* *(Insert contact definition)*
* *(Insert management of contacts as recommended by national guidelines)*
* *(include how staff and residents will be managed if they are identified as contacts)*

**Environmental cleaning and disinfection:**

* *(Insert advice for cleaning and disinfection as recommended by national guidelines)*

**Food services and utensils:**

* *(Insert advice for food services as recommended by national guidelines)*

**Waste management:**

* *(Insert advice for waste management as recommended by national guidelines)*

**Management of deceased bodies:**

* *(Insert advice for management of deceased bodies as recommended by national guidelines)*

**Treatment:**

* *(Insert licensed treatment available)*

**Vaccine:**

* *(Insert licensed vaccine available)*