## **For Health Professionals**

## **Health Alerts**

## Health Advisory #24 - Salmonella Outbreak - 09/17/2002

The Erie County Department of Health is currently investigating an outbreak of Salmonella in the Erie County Southtowns. Physicians are advised to consider Salmonella in the differential diagnosis for patients presenting with gastroenteritis. Priority should be given to those patients residing in the following Southtowns communities: Blasdell, Hamburg, Lackawanna, Orchard Park, and West Seneca.

Please address any questions regarding the diagnosis, testing, treatment, and reporting of Salmonella to Mr. Jack Schwartz (858-7698), Erie County Health Department, Bureau of Disease Control.

For more information on Salmonella and other food-borne diseases please visit the following links:

http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/submenus/sub\_salmonella.htm http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/consumer/salmon.htm