Typhoid, carriage (*Salmonella typhi*)

2007 Case Definition (North Carolina)

Clinical description

Must be currently asymptomatic with a history of acute illness caused by *Salmonella typhi*

Laboratory criteria for diagnosis

- Isolation of *S. typhi* from blood, stool, or other clinical specimen at least three months after onset of symptoms in a person with a confirmed case of Typhoid Fever, acute

Case classification

*Confirmed*: a clinically compatible case that is laboratory confirmed

Comment

Isolation of the organism is required for confirmation. Serologic evidence alone is not sufficient for diagnosis. Asymptomatic carriage should be reported as Typhoid, carriage to the Division of Public Health so that cases can be monitored under isolation orders. Typhoid, carriage cases are not reported to CDC.

See also Typhoid Fever