

NOROVIRUS OUTBREAK LINKED TO ILL FOOD HANDLERS

**NOROVIRUS CAN
BE
AEROSOLIZED IN
VOMIT AND MAY
BE SPREAD UP
TO 25 FEET
OUTSIDE
VISUALLY
AFFECTED
AREAS**



Don't handle food while ill; especially if you have symptoms like diarrhea (when transmission is likely) or vomiting (as virus particles may be spread to hands, clothes and other surfaces).



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT NOROVIRUS

- Some norovirus infections occur without symptoms
- Infected people can shed large amounts of norovirus in their poop
- Viral shedding (passing the virus on in poop) can sometimes occur for 3 weeks after symptoms have resolved
- The majority of reported norovirus outbreaks are associated with food service settings or events
- Norovirus can persist on common kitchen/restroom surfaces for up to 6 weeks
- Most hand sanitizers are not effective at reducing norovirus on hands

