

Information for owners of infected premises

Avian influenza and human health

What to expect from your health authority after avian influenza is confirmed on your farm

- Public Health will call or text you. Your information is confidential. A phone call with them should take about 15-30 minutes.
- If your farm is in the Fraser Health region, you will receive an online link with important health information. Your phone call will be shorter if you review the online information first.
- The purpose of the call is to:
 1. Determine who may be exposed to avian influenza, such as visitors, workers and contractors.
 2. Share information and provide recommendations about protecting yourself, your family and your co-workers based on your risk of developing illness.
 3. Confirm animal details (species and date of symptom onset).

Why does the health authority get involved?

- Any human infection with avian influenza puts people at a greater risk of transmitting illness.
- Following up on human exposures helps protect you and the public by:
 - Making sure people who have been exposed – especially those who are vulnerable - know what symptoms to watch for and what to do if they get sick.
 - Helping to fast-track testing and providing antiviral medicine.
 - Sharing information about how to protect household members.

Where to get more information

- [Avian influenza \(bird flu\)](#) | [HealthLink BC](#)

