

Setting up the outbreak control

Coordinate investigation and take control measures timely

- Plan the logistics and get them ready
- Identify if it's a real outbreak
- Make a case definition and criteria for searching cases
- Collecting data and samples
- Identify case characteristics according to: place, time and person and national levels
- Do an analytic study
- Control measurements evidence based

Characteristics of the outbreak

- Establish clear channels of communication with food - related authorities & all related bodies
- Magnitude, severity, how spread, source, how to control etc (chemical/biologic agent, infection chain)
- Taking into account the specificity of exposed community

Professionals involved

- Epidemiologist, microbiologist, doctors, food related agencies, media etc...

The setting up and coordination of the OB

- Coordinate all actions to investigate and control the OB on timely manner
- Follow and consult protocols previously made as a helpful tool
- Come up with standar protocols and laws to prevent future outbreaks
- Make analitic study to test the hipotesis and confirm the cause

Logistical aspects

Transport, Communication and Information.

Well defined strategy and preparedness plan

Special budget, adequate human resources
and lab-infrastructure.

Technical aspects

- Good coordinated team
- Good case definition
- Good study design and epidemiological analysis
- Good laboratory support