## **ISSC 2013 Biennial Meeting** January 25 – January 31, 2014 – San Antonio, Texas **Subcommittee Report**

**Subcommittee Name:** Vv Illness Review **Chairperson:** Lori Howell

**Date of Meeting:** Numerous **Approved By:** Lori Howell

Recorder: Lori A. Howell

## **Committee Members Present:**

Lori Howell Chris Nelson

Kirk Wiles

Marc Glatzer Roberta Hammond

Maryanne Guichard

Susanne Bourgeois

Patti Fowler

Mike Hickey

## Charges

# Charge 1: Review the national numbers for the last three (3) years and develop criteria which will be used in the future to develop Vv illness report and outline new role in interviewing cases

### Findings:

The subcommittee has reviewed approxiately 128 cases from 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 to date.

### Conclusions:

The new case review form is being used. Cases from all states and all molluscan shellfish species are being reviewed.

### Recommendations:

- 1) The committee has a data management problem. The number of cases times the numbers of fields reviewed for is unmanageable without the use of a database. The committee recommends that access to a data base program and data base manager be provided to the committee as soon as possible and information from the 2010- present cases be entered into the database program in such a manner that the information is available to others and can be analyzed and queried.
- 2) Further attention should be given to education of non-Gulf and especially non-coastal states about traceback, tags, and completing the last page of the COIC form is needed.
- 3) Some means of collecting information about cases involving buffet dining should be established.
- 4) Education is needed about the importance of tracing back clam origin in those cases where the patient consumed both clams and oysters.
- 5) The position being vacated by Marc Glatzer should be filled as soon as possible.