



# Whole Genome Sequencing at the Minnesota Department of Health

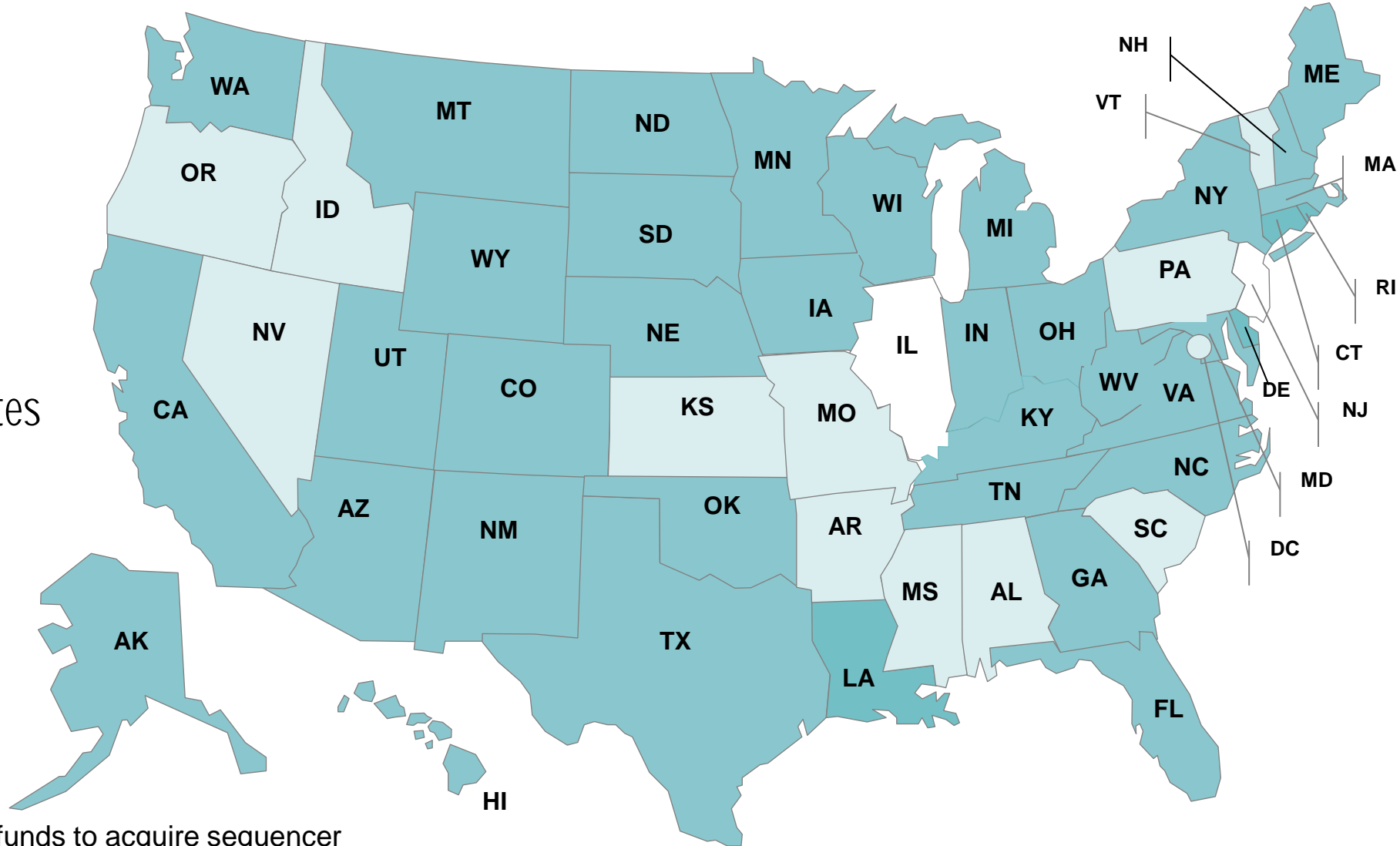
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- Status on whole genome sequencing (WGS) at public health labs (PHLs)
- Role of WGS at PHLs
- WGS communication at PHLs
- WGS evaluation at PHLs
- Examples of the utility of WGS at PHLs

# PulseNet Sequencing Capacity – September 2017

43 labs in 37 states certified

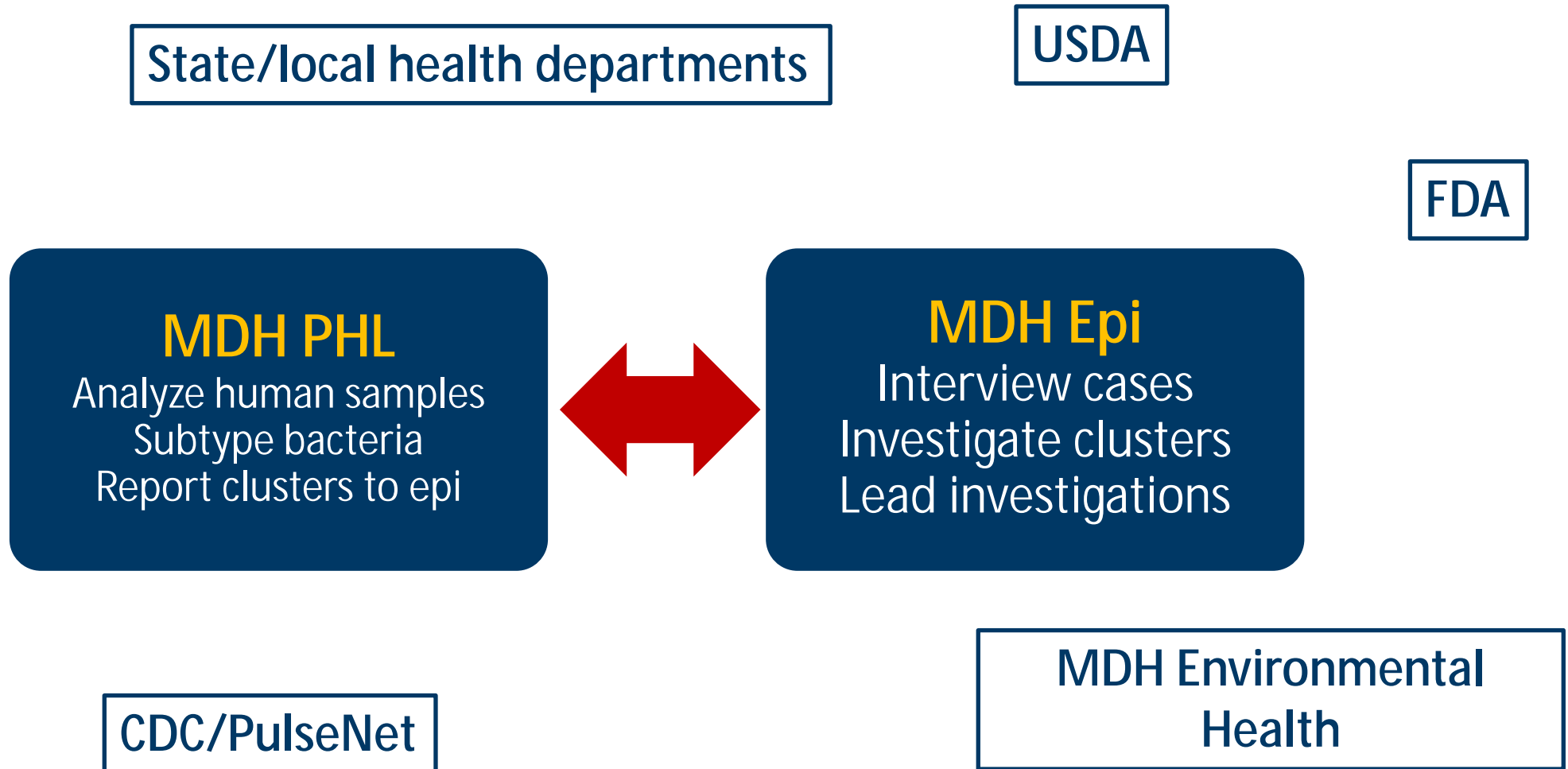


- Awarded ELC funds to acquire sequencer
- Has sequencer but not certified
- PulseNet certified

# Challenges of WGS at Public Health Laboratories (PHL)

- Continuing existing methods during transition
- IT issues (storage, software, permissions)
- Training-wet lab
- Training-bioinformatics (sequence analysis)
- Bioinformatics resources
- Ordering reagents

# Foodborne Disease Surveillance in Minnesota (traditional)



# Interviewing Cases: Minnesota Basic Philosophy

- Interview all cases ASAP
- Collect details on specific exposures
  - Dates
  - Restaurant, grocery store names
  - Brand names
  - Open-ended food histories
- Follow-up interesting hypotheses aggressively
  - Re-interview cases with specific questions, conduct tracebacks, food testing, etc.

Automatic printout of any serotype/PFGE info added into LIMS

- Previous days
- Moving time frame
- Historical perspective
- National clusters

# MDH Daily Report

## Enteric Isolates Reported on 15-Mar-2003

SPEC	LNAME	FNAME	CITY	AGE	AGENT	SUBTYPE	DATE
01774	Larsen	William	Bloomington	37	Campylobacter jejuni	Fla9	11-mar-03
01770	Simon	Pauline	Minneapolis	72	Campylobacter jejuni	Fla72	10-mar-03
01778	Hilgren	Sven	Rosemount	6	Escherichia coli	MN31	10-mar-03
01773	Hilgren	Cody	Rosemount	5	Escherichia coli	MN31	12-mar-03
01765	Bergstrom	Theresa	Rosemount	31	Escherichia coli	MN31	11-mar-03
01768	Roberts	MaryIn	Bemidji	76	Escherichia coli	MN1	11-mar-03
01777	Desowitz	Robert	St. Cloud	47	Salmonella saintpaul		14-mar-03
01776	Beers	Trevor	Minneapolis	3	Salmonella typhimurium	TM43	10-mar-03
01769	Sampson	Elsa	St. Paul	53	Salmonella typhimurium	TM2B	11-mar-03
01774	Brady	Harold	Bloomington	16	Shigella flexneri 3a		13-mar-03
01767	Crandon	Louise	Chisago	24	Shigella sonnei	SS1	10-mar-03
01764	Petrovich	Helen	Edina	67	Shigella sonnei	SS44	09-mar-03



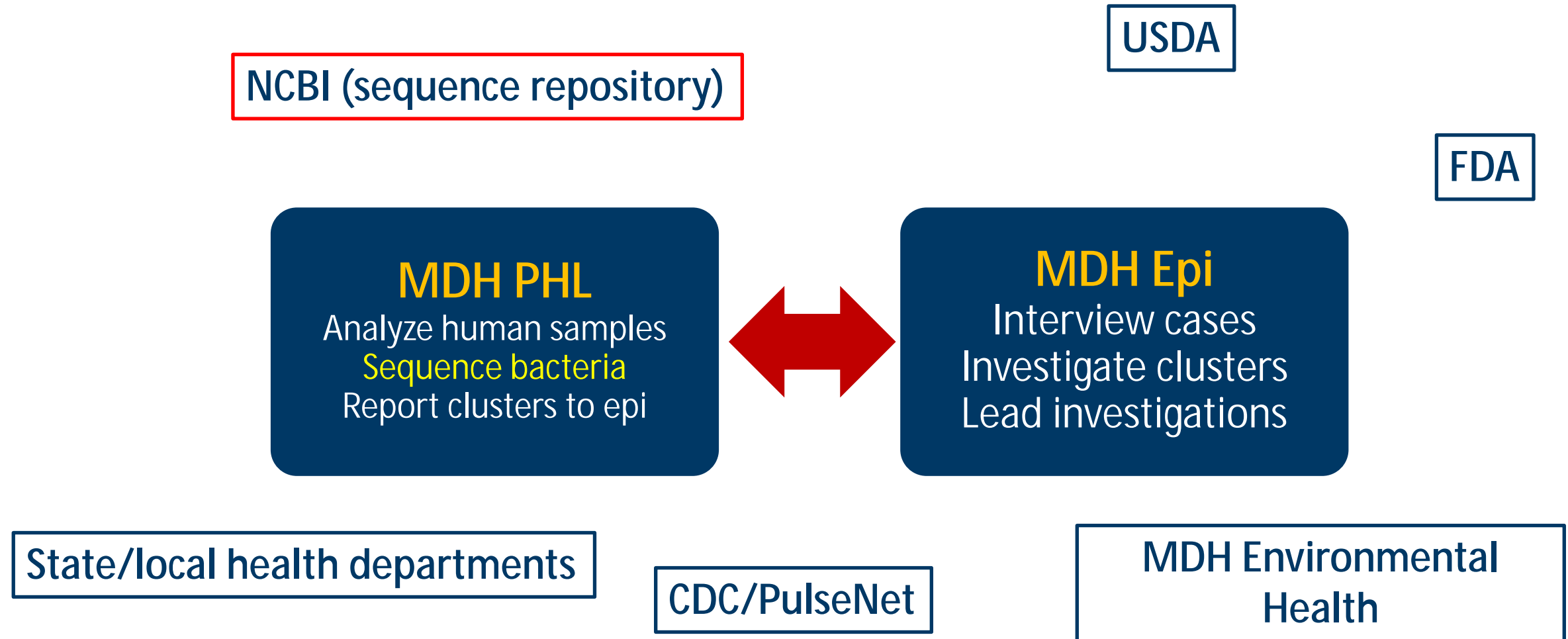
# MDH Daily 30 Line Listing

## Moving Frame Subtype / Serotype History

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01762	Hilgren	Elizabeth	Rosemount	24	Escherichia coli	MN31	10-mar-03
01760	Edlestein	Michael	Invr Grove Hts	7	Escherichia coli	MN31	08-mar-03
01758	Langley	Joel	Rosemount	6	Escherichia coli	MN31	06-mar-03
01743	Sigurson	Marie	Rosemount	8	Escherichia coli	MN31	06-mar-03
01768	Roberts	Maryln	Bemidgi	76	Escherichia coli	MN1	11-mar-03
01777	Desowitz	Robert	St. Cloud	47	Salmonella saintpaul		14-mar-03
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01762	Horlath	Brett	Minneapolis	5	Salmonella typhimurium	TM43	10-mar-03
01747	Peterson	Mary	Minneapolis	9	Salmonella typhimurium	TM43	29-feb-03
01769	Sampson	Elsa	St. Paul	53	Salmonella typhimurium	TM2B	11-mar-03
01771	Yang	Xiong	Duluth	47	Salmonella typhimurium	TM2B	29-feb-03

Names are fictitious

# Foodborne Disease Surveillance in Minnesota (WGS-current)



		PFGE					WGS					
MDH Accession	Collection Date	Sequence Date	Primary PFGE Pattern	Secondary PFGE Pattern	PFGE Cluster	Distance to closest neighbor	Closest MN neighbor(s) (SNPS)	Other State Matches (SNPS)	Date in	WGS Investigation code	Epi comment	
350	E2015017856	12/19/2015	1/11/2016	SE11	B116		4	E15-15718, E15-13909 (6)		1/14/2016	2015036	
339	E2015018531	12/20/2015	1/11/2016	SE48	B231			E15-930 (6)		1/14/2016	2016002	Traveled to Do
359	E2016000204	12/30/2015	1/11/2016	SE43	B18					1/14/2016		
358	E2016000176	12/31/2015	1/11/2016	SE11	B6		5	E15-17571, E15-14301 (5), E15-8119 (5), E15-7968 (5)		1/14/2016	2015039	
364	E2016000287	12/31/2015	1/15/2016	SE11	B6					1/21/2016	2016007	Punta Cana, D
370	E2016000456	12/31/2015	1/15/2016	SE1	B1					1/21/2016		
360	E2016000215	1/1/2016	1/11/2016	SE9	B161		5	E15-6737, E15-5181 (6), E15-4475 (6)		1/14/2016		
365	E2016000376	1/3/2016	1/15/2016	SE164	B41					1/21/2016		
377	E2016000740	1/11/2016	1/25/2016	SE164	B214		1	E15-15239		1/28/2016	2016001	
378	E2016000801	1/13/2016	1/25/2016	SE222	B214		2	E15-17439		1/28/2016		Same patient a
385	E2016001029	1/20/2016	1/29/2016	SE9	B161		0	E16-1099		2/4/2016	2016003	Same patient a
387	E2016001099	1/20/2016	1/29/2016	SE9	B161		0	E16-1029		2/4/2016	2016003	same patient a
388	E2016001120	1/21/2016	1/29/2016	SE19	B116		2	E15-6737, E15-4512 (3), E15-4475 (3)		2/4/2016	2016008	Playa del Carm
386	E2016001071	1/22/2016	1/29/2016	SE11	B116					2/4/2016		
389	E2016001421	1/24/2016	1/29/2016	SE48	B231		2	E15-18531		2/4/2016	2016002	Traveled to Do
101	E2016001531	1/25/2016	2/12/2016	SE11	B6		2	E16-1746, E16-1533		2/22/2016	2016004	Dominican Rep
396	E2016001474	1/26/2016	2/5/2016	SE11	B181		0	MDH-2014-00857		2/9/2016		
397	E2016001477	1/26/2016	2/5/2016	SE9	B161		2	E16-1029 (2), E16-1099 (2)		2/9/2016	2016003	
398	E2016001504	1/26/2016	2/5/2016	SE43	B18		0	E16-204 (0)		2/9/2016		
399	E2016001533	1/27/2016	2/5/2016	SE11	B6					2/9/2016	2016004	Dominican Rep
100	E2016001566	1/29/2016	2/5/2016	SE43	B72		0	E15-12170 (0), E14-14938 (1)		2/9/2016		
114	E2016001746	1/29/2016	2/12/2016	SE11	B6		2	E16-1533, E16-1531		2/22/2016	2016004	Dominican Rep
102	E2016001727	1/30/2016	2/12/2016	SE11	B116					2/22/2016	2016005	
116	E2016001974	2/1/2016	2/12/2016	SE1	B1					2/22/2016		
104	E2016001927	2/4/2016	2/12/2016	SE11	B6		2	E16-287		2/22/2016	2016007	LTF
125	E2016002209	2/8/2016	2/19/2016	SE43	B72		3	E15-14909		2/24/2016		
128	E2016002162	2/9/2016	2/19/2016	SE11	B78		1	E16-1746, E16-1531, E16-2268 (2), E16-1533 (3)		2/24/2016	2016004	Dominican Rep
127	E2016002341	2/10/2016	2/22/2016	SE11	B116		2	E15-6737, E15-4475, E15-4250, E15-5181 (4), E15-5672 (4)		2/25/2016	2016008	Playa del Carm
124	E2016002268	2/12/2016	2/19/2016	SE11	B6		1	E16-1531, E16-2162 (2), E16-1746 (2), E16-1533 (3)		2/24/2016	2016004	Dominican Rep

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Lab ID

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PFGE pattern

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Number of SNPs

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Lab ID for closely related isolates

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Cluster ID



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SE WGS Clusters- 5.11.17

To

Retention Policy AllMail\_90 (90 days)

Expires 8/9/2017

**Cluster 2017001:** 2 new isolates are 1-5 SNPs from others in the cluster. Now 8 isolates total. ([Marijke](#), SE11B6)

[E2017005289](#)

[E2017004460](#)

**Cluster 2017008:** 2 new isolates are 1-5 SNPS from others in the cluster. Now 4 isolates total. (SE11B116)

[I2017005940-1](#)

[E2017003821](#)

**Cluster 2017010:** 1 new isolate is 0 SNPs from others in the cluster. Now 3 isolates total. (SE11B6)

[E2017006068](#)

**NEW Cluster 2017013:** 2 isolates are 0 SNPs from each other.

[E2017003849 \(SE235B78\)](#)

[E2017005056 \(SE181B93\)](#)

**NEW Cluster 2017014:** 2 isolates are 0 SNPs from each other. (SE9B161)

[E2017004452](#)

[E2017004814](#)

**NEW Cluster 2017015:** 2 isolates are 0 SNPs from each other. (SE11B6)

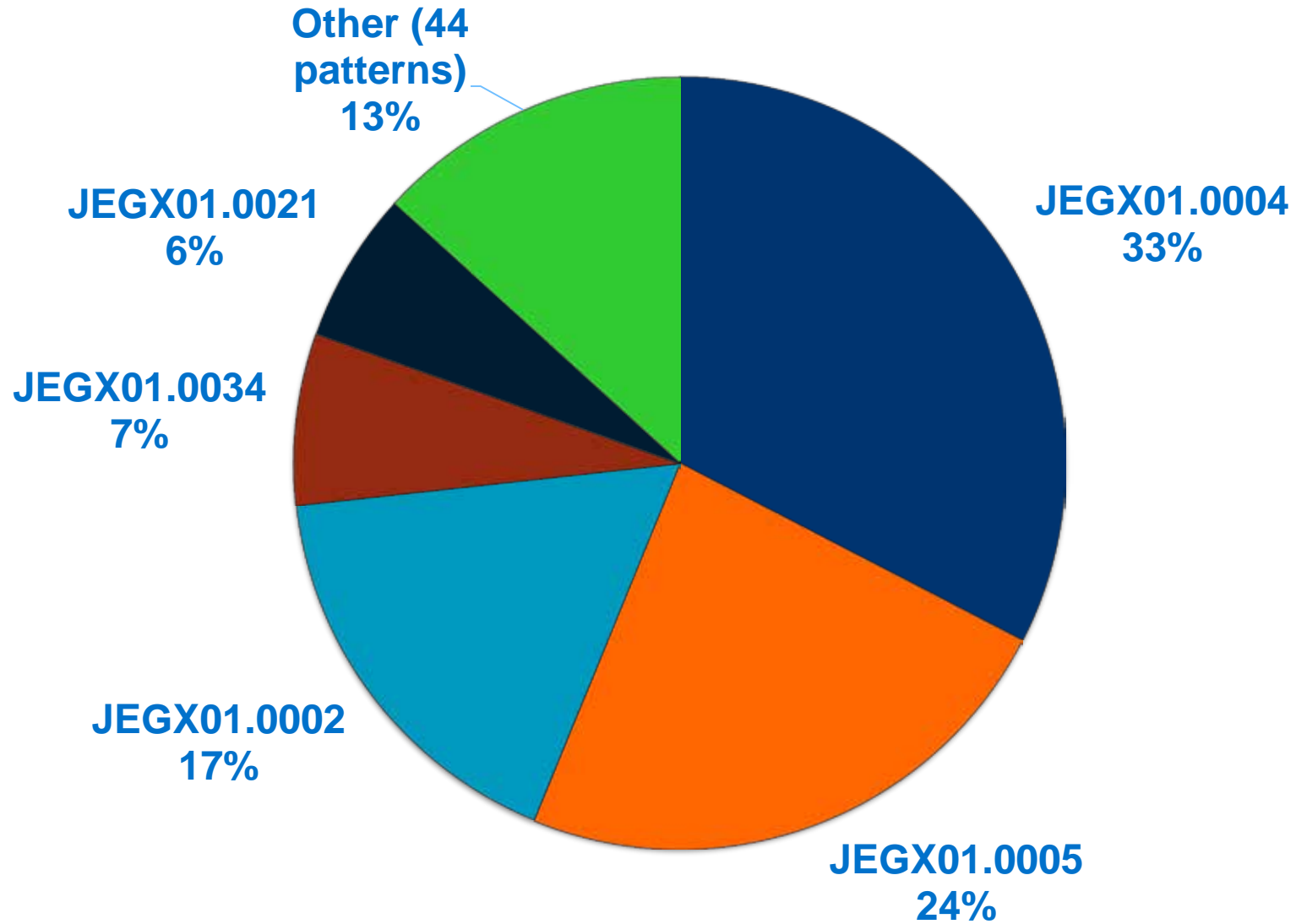
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# *Salmonella* Enteritidis

- SE is the most common *Salmonella* serotype in Minnesota, and second most common serotype in the U.S.
- Very clonal
  - 4 PFGE types comprise 76% of PulseNet database
- MDH performs PFGE with 2 enzymes

# Percent *Salmonella* Enteritidis XbaI PFGE Patterns, Minnesota 2014-2015 (n=445)



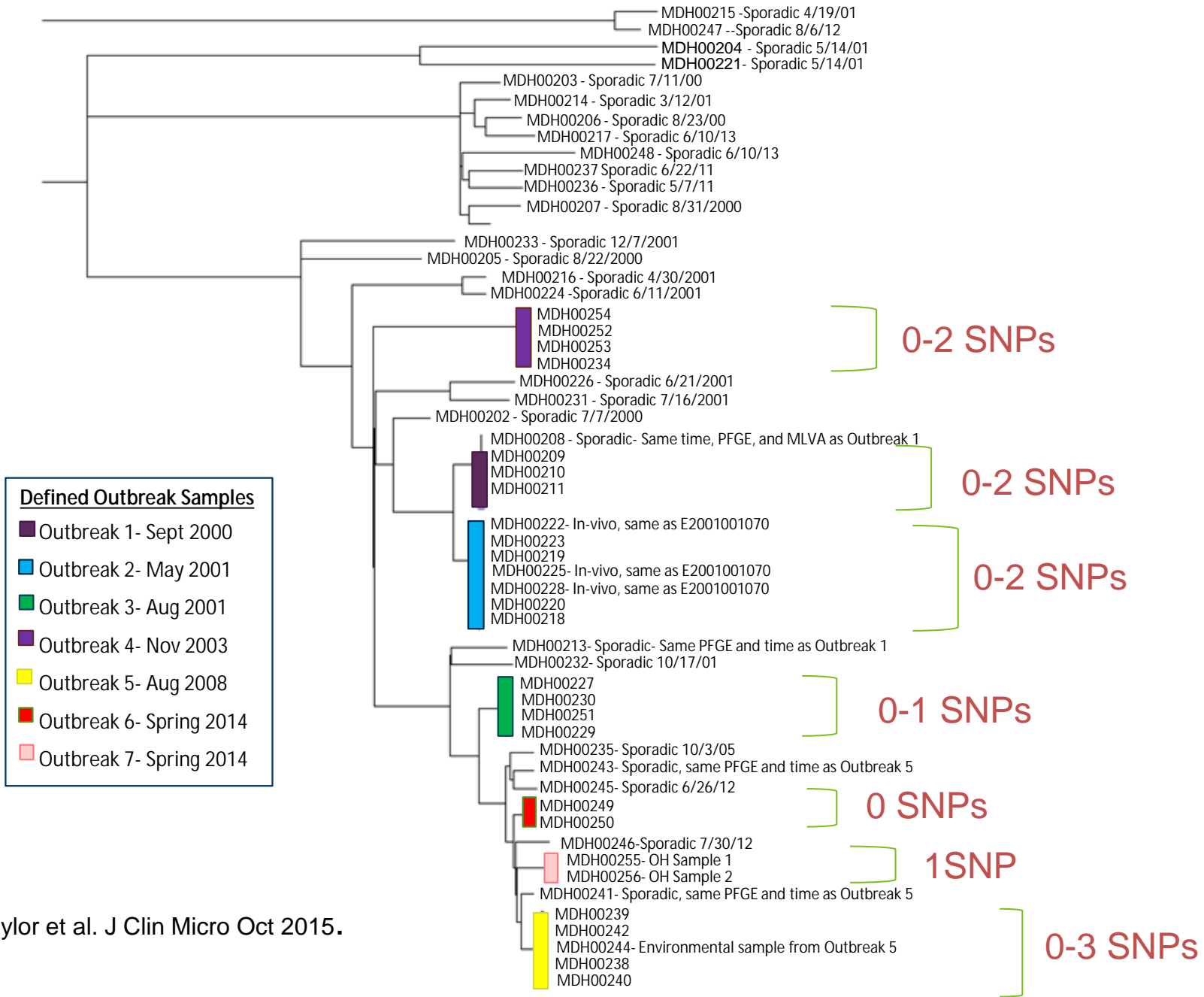
# SE Retrospective Study

- Stability
- Typeability
- Discriminatory power
- Epidemiological concordance
  - Epidemiologically linked isolates should have same type
  - None linked isolates should have different types

# Retrospective Samples (n=55)

- Well characterized isolates (PFGE and MLVA), exposure information (epi)
- 7 separate outbreaks (n=25)
- 22 sporadic isolates
- *In vivo* (n=4)
- 4 sporadic? isolates (same subtype/time as OB, no known OB exposure)
- Joint lab/epi project
- Partnered with New York DOH for analysis





Taylor et al. J Clin Micro Oct 2015.

# Retrospective Study Conclusions

- Stable: few SNPs within person over time
- Typeability: all isolates able to be typed
- Diversity: high diversity for isolates not related
- Epidemiological concordance
  - Few SNP differences within outbreak
  - Sporadic (unrelated) isolates very different compared to outbreak isolates

# Prospective Study

Compare ability of WGS and PFGE to identify clusters and outbreaks of SE in real-time

# Prospective Study

- April - December, 2014
- All isolates have PFGE and WGS performed in real-time (WGS goal TAT <1 week)
- Each cluster (identified by any method) will be investigated as possible outbreak
- WGS cluster defined as isolates  $\leq 5$  SNPs over 2 months
- Foodborne disease epidemiologists interviews all cases with trawling questionnaire

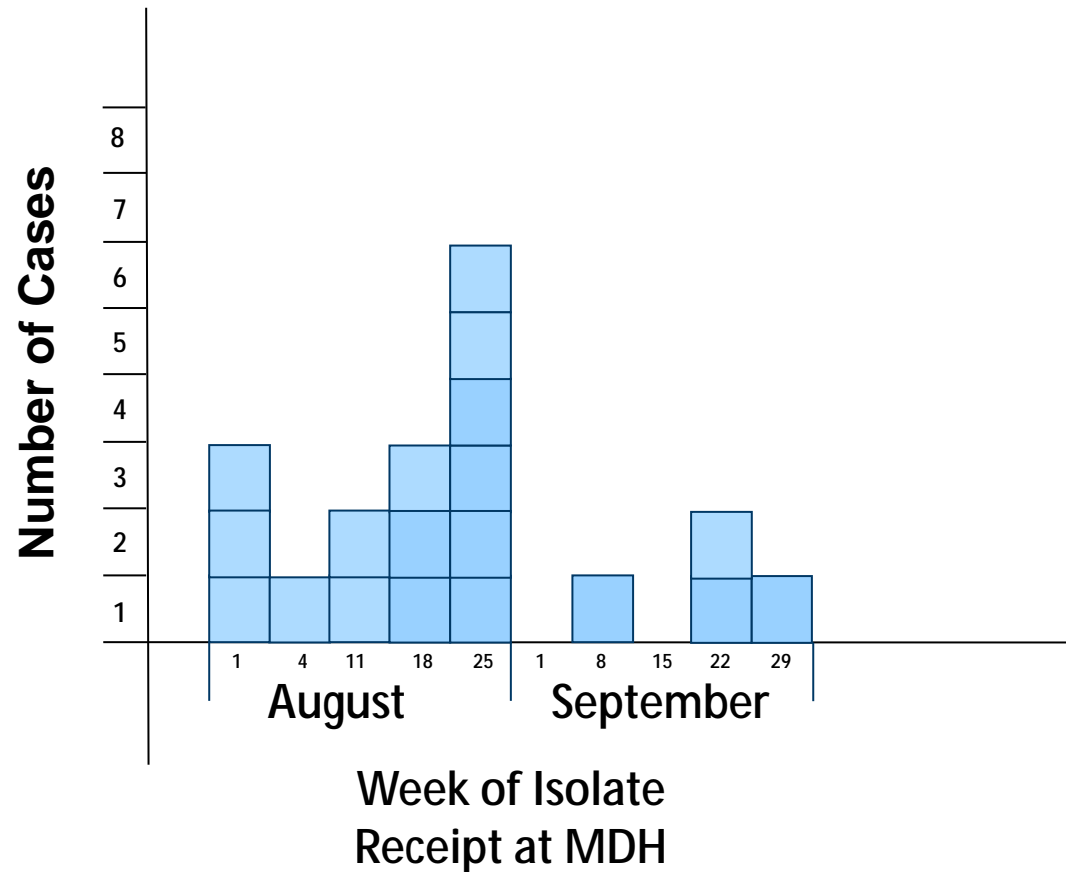
# SNP Differences in Sporadic Isolates

MN PFGE pattern	CDC PFGE pattern (JEGX01.)	N	Average SNP differences with PFGE pattern
SE1	4	56	93
SE43	5	41	56
SE11	3	16	82
SE77	21	13	32
SE10	34	13	77

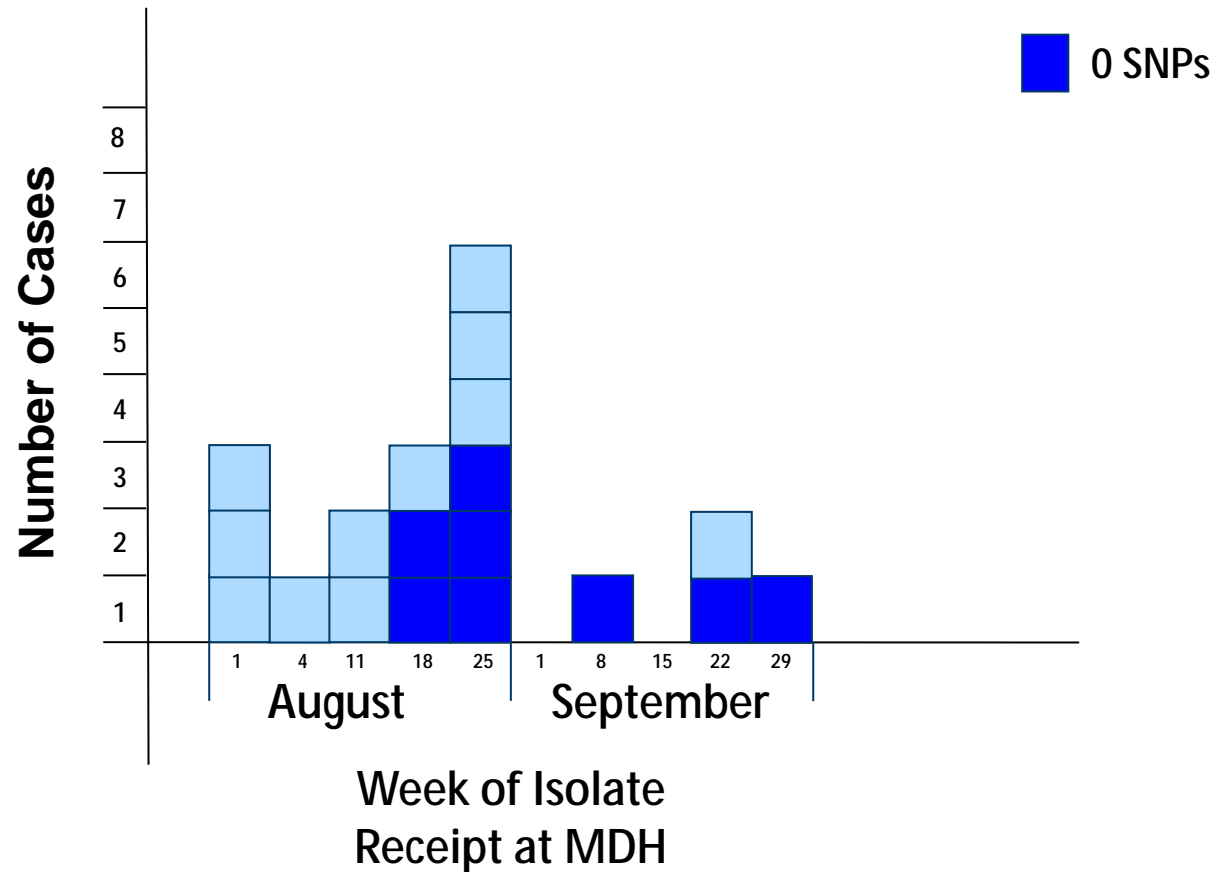
# Prospective Results-cluster analysis

	PFGE	WGS
# of clusters	12	25
Mean # in cluster (range)	9 (2-44)	3 (2-8)

# All *Salmonella* Enteritidis JEGX01.0004/JEGA26.0002 Isolates Received August-September 2014 (n=19)

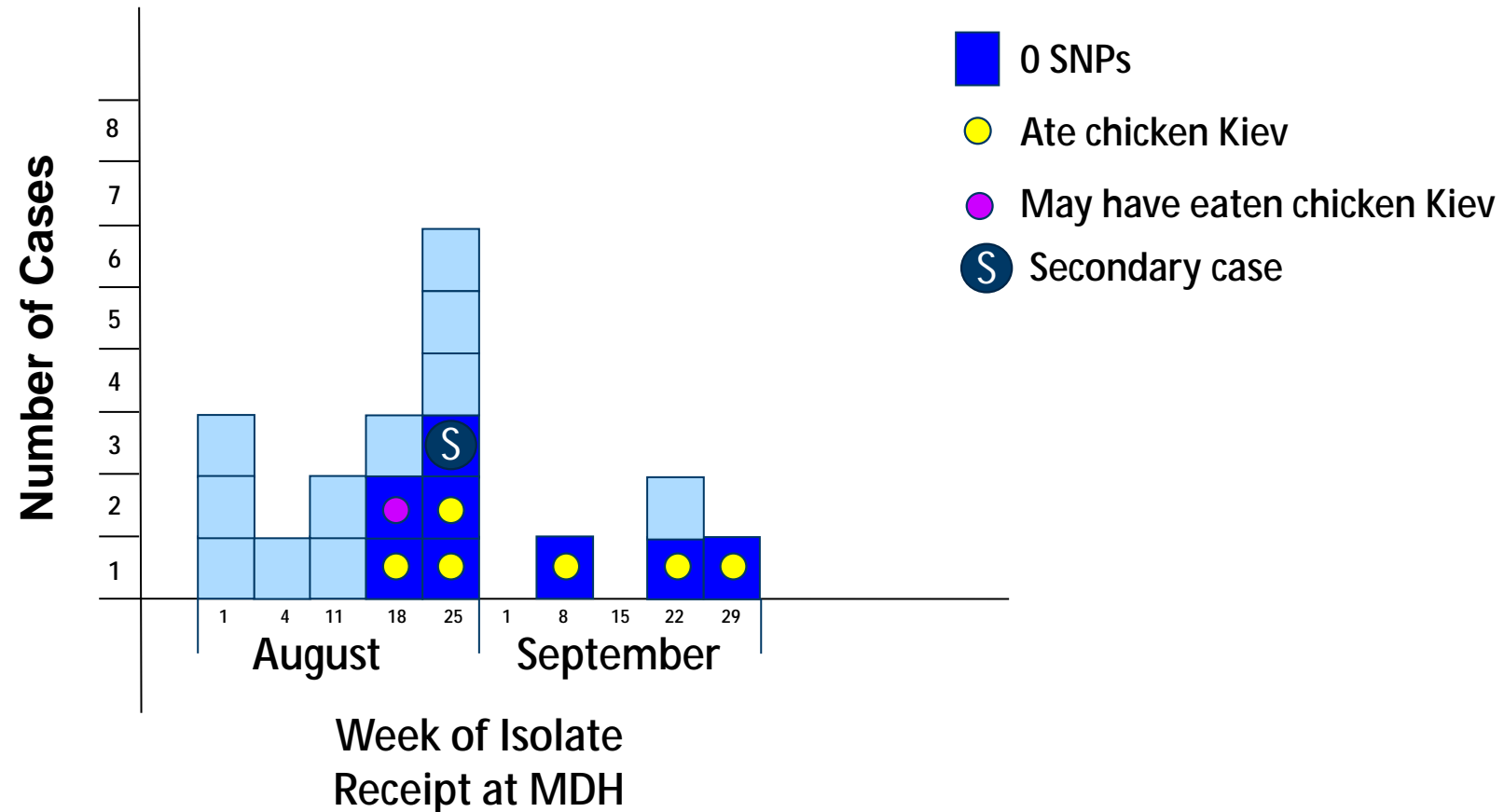


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# Future of WGS at PHLs

- Use of WGS at PHLs will continue to increase
- WGS will provide more information methodically compared to current methods
  - WGS will begin to replace traditional methods-serotyping, AST, virulence marker detection
- WGS nomenclature will improve data sharing
- Data sharing/communication will become easier

- WGS is being widely adopted by PHLs
- WGS is a tool that can identify clusters/outbreaks better than traditional methods
- There are continued challenges with implementation of WGS at PHLs
- Speed and communication will continue to be vital aspects of outbreak detection

# Thank you!

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