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CSTE Position Statement(s)  
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Clinical Description  
An illness of variable severity caused by the protozoan parasite  
Cyclospora cayetanensis  
. The most common symptom is watery diarrhea. Other common symptoms include loss of appetite, weight loss, abdominal cramps/bloating, nausea, body aches, and fatigue. Vomiting and lowgrade fever also may be noted.  
Laboratory Criteria For Diagnosis  
Laboratory-confirmed cyclosporiasis shall be defined as the detection of  
Cyclospora  
organisms or DNA in stool, intestinal fluid/aspirate, or intestinal biopsy specimens.  
Case Classification  
Probable  
A case that meets the clinical description and that is epidemiologically linked to a confirmed case.  
Confirmed  
A case that meets the clinical description and at least one of the criteria for laboratory confirmation as described above.  
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