TICK-BORNE DISEASE ON ISLESBORO IN 2016

Below is a summary of patients treated for tick bites by the Islesboro Health Center in the past year, with comparative figures for 2013, 2014, and 2015. For 2016, the cases resulting from a tick bite likely received off-island are marked by an asterisk (*).

TOTAL PATIENTS WHO CAME TO THE HEALTH CENTER AFTER A TICK BITE

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
March April May June July August September October November December Total	2 12 18 15 27 12 6 16 23 1 132	0 2 26 30 37 23 4 11 8 <u>1</u> 142	1 8 27 13 43 23 6 14 7 2 144	0 5 15 37 59 40 10 24 13 <u>0</u> 203
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT				
Observation, no treatment.	17 + 6*	21	58	50
Tick bite, attached for 24 hours or more. Suspicion of infection. One-time dose doxycycline.	52 + 4*	61	62	67
Strong suspicion of Lyme disease based on clinical analysis: tick bite, attached for 24 hours or more. Fever, aching joints, fatigue. 3-week course of antibiotic. Confirmed cases of Lyme disease reportable to the State CDC: tick bite attached for 24 hours or more, "bull's-eye" rash or positive results	27 + 1*	16	19	27
from blood test. 3-week course of antibiotic.	23 + 2*	42	24	53
Confirmed cases of anaplasmosis (in addition to Lyme), reportable to the State. Appropriate antibiotics.	0	2	1	0

Potential for secondary illness that can involve chronic symptoms.	0	6	3	0
* Tick bite likely off-island				
DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN				
Females	49	66	69	92
Males	83	76	75	111
Ages (not all patients are included for 201	.3)			
0-9	10	11	9	8
10-19	5	3	5	5
20-29	20	19	15	10
30-39	12	6	12	4
40-49	13	9	14	12
50-59	17	18	29	27
60-69	27	36	33	23
70-79	23	33	23	10
80+	5	7	3	4
Islesboro residents	89	83	88	113
Seasonal residents or other	43	59	56	90
LOCATION WHEN BITTEN				
Islesboro	115	126	135	188
Acre Island	3	1	1	5
Spruce/Warren	1	1	0	0
Mainland or out of state	13	14	8	10
MEDICAL COSTS IHC visits: Medications:	\$8,580 1,988	\$8,137 2,686	\$7,735 1,877	
	\$10,568	\$10,823	\$9,612	

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