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### **Bacterial infectious diseases**

- Anthrax: multiplication of Bacillus anthracis in the body.
- Bacterial meningitis: inflammation of the protective membranes of the central nervous system.
- Botulism: blockage of nerve function and respiratory as well as musculoskeletal paralysis.
- Brucellosis: entrance of Brucella bacteria by direct contact or untreated/contaminated milk of animals.
- Campylobacteriosis: an inflammatory and at times bloody diarrhea or dysentery.
- Cat scratch disease: after 7 to 14 days or 2 months after a cat scratch, tender regional lymphadenopathy, slight fever, headache, chills, malaise, abdominal pain, backache, convulsions or sterile suppurative papules at the site of inoculation occur.
- Cholera: transmission of Vibrio cholerae by ingestion of contaminated food or water causes diarrheal disease.
- Diphtheria: upper respiratory tract illness havingsore throat, low-grade fever and an adherent layer on the tonsils, nasal cavity, pharynx.
- Epidemic Typhus: caused by louse-borne bacteria.
- Gonorrhea: common sexually transmitted disease caused by Neisseria gonorrheae.
- Impetigo: superficial skin infection common in theage group of 2 to 6.
- Legionellosis: pneumonia or mild respiratory illness like acute influenza.
- Leprosy (Hansen's disease): granulomatous disease of the peripheral nerves and mucosa of the
- upper respiratory tract.
- Leptospirosis: biphasic disease with meningitis, liver damage and renal failure.
- Listeriosis: occurs in newborn infants, elderly people and immunocompromised patients.
- Lyme disease: rash and flu symptoms followed by musculoskeletal, psychiatric, neurologic, arthritic
- and cardiac manifestations.
- Melioidosis: caused by Burkholderia pseudomallei, which is found in soil and water.
- MRSA infection: characterized by quick weight lossand muscle depletion.
- Nocardiosis: Nocardia asteroides or Nocardia brasiliensis affects either the lungs or the entire body.
- Pertussis (Whooping cough): severe hacking cough followed by high intake of breath.
- Plague: occurs when person is bitten by an infected flea.
- Pneumococcal pneumonia: illness of the lungs and respiratory system where the alveoli are inflammed and filled with fluid.
- Psittacosis: contracted from parrots, pigeons, hens, ducks, sparrows and sea gulls.
- Q fever : due to inhalation of contaminated particles in the air or contact with the vaginal mucus, milk,
- feces, semen, urine of infected animals.
- Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever: most severe rickettsial illness in the United States.
- Salmonellosis: causes typhoid fever, paratyphoid fever and foodborne illness.
- Scarlet fever: infection may occur through bloodstream or skin and underlying tissues.
- Shigellosis: dysentery due to poor hygiene.
- Syphilis: sexually transmitted disease due to sexual contact or congenital mode.
- Tetanus : prolonged contraction of skeletal muscle fibers.
- Trachoma: infectious disease of human eye probablyleading to blindness.
- Tuberculosis: generally attacks the lungs but may affect central nervous system, circulatory system,
- lymphatic system, bones, joints, genitourinary system and skin.
- Tularemia: heachache, fatigue, muscle pains, dizziness, nausea, loss of appetite, inflammation of
- face and eyes and lymph nodes.
- Typhoid fever: due to ingestion of food or water adulterated with feces of an infected person.
- Typhus: severe headache, sustained high fever, severe muscle pain, rash, cough, chills, stupor, decreasing blood pressure, delirium characterize it.
- Urinary tract infections: cystitis or pyelonephritis.

#### **Fungal infectious diseases**

- Aspergillosis: allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis or pulmonary aspergilloma or invasive aspergillosis.
- Blastomycosis: inhalation of fungus from the natural soil habitat.
- Candidiasis: found in exposed and moist parts of the body like the vagina, vulva, penis, foreskin, skin
- around nostrils, nostrils, ear, oral cavity, nipples, folds of skin in diaper area.

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- Coccidioidomycosis: caused by inhalation of airborne, fungal particles called arthroconidia.
- Cryptococcosis: caused by inhalation of soil contaminated with the encapsulated yeast.
- Histoplasmosis: primarily affects the lungs.
- Tinea pedis: affects the epidermis of the foot.

#### **Parasitic infections diseases**

- African trypanosomiasis: transmitted by the tsetsefly. Symptoms are fever, headaches and joint pains.
- Amebiasis: due to ingestion of water or food contaminated with amoebic cysts.
- Ascariasis: due to ingestion of food contaminated with fecal matter containing Ascaris eggs.
- Babesiosis: generally transmitted by ticks.
- Chagas disease: transmitted to humans by blood-sucking assassin bugs.
- Clonorchiasis: caused by the Chinese liver fluke.
- Cryptosporidiosis: caused by contaminated materiallike earth, water, uncooked or crosscontaminated food in contact with the feces of an infected person or animal.
- Cysticercosis: caused by larvae of tapeworm, generally found in pork.
- Diphyllobothriasis: characterized by abdominal discomfort, vomiting, weight loss and diarrhea.
- Dracunculiasis: caused by drinking water containing infected copepods.
- Echinococcosis: fatal disease due to infection by tapeworm larvae.
- Enterobiasis: infection due to pinworms leading topoor appetite, restless sleep and itching of the anus.
- Fascioliasis: caused by Fasciola hepatica and Fasciola gigantica.
- Fasciolopsiasis: caused when aquatic plants are eaten raw and water drunk unheated.
- Filariasis: transmitted by mosquitoes or deer fly.
- Free-living amebic infection: caused by Naegleria fowleri and Acanthamoeba found in lakes, tap water, swimming pools and air conditioning units.
- Giardiasis: starts in the small intestine.
- Gnathostomiasis: due to migrating immature worms.
- Hymenolepiasis: caused by Hymenolepis nana or Hymenolepis diminuta.
- Isosporiasis: symptoms are diarrhea and weight loss. Sometimes linked with AIDS.
- Leishmaniasis: transmitted by certain varieties of and fly.
- Malaria: transmitted by female Anopheles mosquitoes.
- Metagonimiasis: symptoms are diarrhea and colicky abdominal pain.
- Myiasis: caused by fly larvae feeding on the host's necrotic or living tissue.
- Onchocerciasis: the second leading infectious cause of blindness.
- Pediculosis: infestation of lice on the human body.
- Scabies: characterized by superficial burrows, secondary infection and intense itching.
- Schistosomiasis: due to infection of the blood with schistosome leading to weakness, liver and intestinal damage.
- Taeniasis: infection involving pork and beef tapeworms.
- Toxocariasis: caused by ingestion of dog or cat roundworm.
- Toxoplasmosis: due to ingestion of raw or partly cooked meat, contaminated cat feces, drinking water containing Toxoplasma, transplacental infection in utero or infected organ transplant or blood transfusion.
- Trichinellosis: caused by eating raw or undercooked pork and wild game products infected with the larvae of a species of roundworm.
- Trichuriasis: infection of the large intestine by a parasite whipworm.
- Trichomoniasis: sexually transmitted disease that infects the genitourinary tract.
- Trypanosomiasis: caused by parasitic protozoan trypanosomes of the genus Trypanosoma.

### **Prion infectious diseases**

- Alpers syndrome: a progressive degenerative disease of the central nervous system.
- Bovine spongiform encephalopathy: a fatal, neurodegenerative disease of cattle that is transmitted to human beings who eat infected carcasses.

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- Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease: rare and incurable degenerative neurological disorder (brain disease).
- Fatal familial insomnia: rare autosomal dominant inherited brain disease, that is fatal.
- Kuru: characterized by headaches, joint pains and shaking of the limbs. Affects the brain and is fatal.
- Transmissible spongiform encephalopathy: a group of progressive conditions that affect the brain and nervous systems.

#### Viral infections diseases

- AIDS: specific damage to the immune system caused by human immunodeficiency virus.
- AIDS related complex: individuals susceptible to opportunistic infections and tumors.
- Chickenpox (Varicella): caused by varicella-zostervirus and spots appear mainly on the body and head.
- Common cold: disease of the upper respiratory system. Also called acute viral nasopharyngitis.
- Cytomegalovirus infection: generally concerning salivary glands, though may be found anywhere in the body.
- Colorado tick fever: transmitted from the bite of an infected wood tick.
- Dengue fever: transmitted by Aedes aegypti mosquito.
- Ebola haemorrhagic fever: symptoms are diarrhea, internal and external bleeding, fever, general body pain and vomiting.
- Hand, foot and mouth disease: common cause is Coxsackie A virus and usually affects infants and children.
- Hepatitis: characterized by the presence of inflammatory cells in the liver tissue.
- Herpes simplex: symptoms are itching, swelling, emission of fluid from swelling, headache, fatigue, overall gloomy mental state.
- Herpes zoster: affects the nervous system with or without appearance of a rash on the skin.
- HPV: DNA-based viruses that infect the skin and mucous membranes.
- Influenza (Flu): symptoms are sore throat, fever, headache, muscle pains, weakness, coughing and discomfort.
- Lassa fever: initially mucosa, intestine, lungs, urinary systems are affected, then vascular system and then every tissue in the body.
- Measles: is spread through respiration and is highly contagious.
- Marburg haemorrhagic fever: spread though bodily fluids like saliva, vomit, blood and excrement.
- Infectious mononucleosis: common in adolescents and young adults, characterized by fever, muscle soreness, sore throat, fatigue.
- Mumps: characterized by painful swelling of the salivary glands and fever. Painful testicular swelling and rash may also occur.
- Poliomyelitis: spread from one person to other viathe fecal-oral route eg. poor hand washing.
- Progressive multifocal leukencephalopathy: occurs exclusively in people with severe immune deficiency.
- Rabies: transmitted through bites, aerosol throughmucous membranes, transplant surgery or kisses.
- Rubella: virus enters body via nose or throat.
- SARS: symptoms are fever, lethargy, myalgia, cough, sore throat, gastrointestinal symptoms.
- Smallpox (Variola): caused by Variola major and Variola minor. May cause characteristic skin scars and occasionally blindness due to corneal ulcerations and infertility in male survivors.
- Viral encephalitis: an acute inflammation of the brain.
- Viral gastroenteritis: inflammation or infection of the gastrointestinal tract, generally of the stomach and intestines.
- Viral meningitis: inflammation of the protective membranes covering the nervous system.
- Viral pneumonia: an illness of the lungs and respiratory system.
- West Nile disease: transmitted through the bite of an infected mosquito.
- Yellow fever: important cause of hemorrhagic illness in many African and South American nations.