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- [18 March 2003 to 26 June 2003](#)

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- [National Case Definitions for the SARS Outbreak Period \(2003-11-06\)](#)

Preliminary Epidemiological Findings

- [SARS Epidemiologic Summaries: April 26, 2003
Summary of SARS cases potentially exposed in Canada and diagnosed internationally \(2003-04-27\)](#)
- [SARS Epidemiologic Summaries: April 26, 2003
SARS Among Ontario Health Care Workers \(2003-04-26\)](#)
- [Epi-Update: Interim Report on the SARS outbreak in the
Greater Toronto Area, Ontario, Canada April 24, 2003 \(2003-04-26\)](#)
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Testing Protocols

- SARS-CoV Laboratory Investigation Protocol for the SARS Post-Outbreak Period [PDF](#) (5 pages - 2003-11-07)
- The Canadian Public Health Laboratory Network (CPHLN) Laboratory Testing for Patients with Severe Respiratory Illness (SRI) Not Yet Diagnosed (NYD) [PDF](#) (1 page - 2003-11-07)
- The Canadian Public Health Laboratory Network (CPHLN) Recommended Specimens for the Diagnosis of SARS CoV [PDF](#) (1 page - 2003-11-07)
- The Canadian Public Health Laboratory Network (CPHLN) Recommendations on Laboratory Evidence of SARS CoV Infection [PDF](#) (1 page - 2003-11-07)
- Recommended Laboratory Investigation of SARS (2003-03-20)
- Laboratory Requisition Cover Sheet - SARS Special Investigation Tracking [PDF](#) (1 Page - 19 KB - 2003-03-31)

Interpretation Guidelines

- Nasopharyngeal Specimen Collection [PDF](#) (2 pages)

Biosafety

- Office of Laboratory Security - Biosafety Advisory
Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome: Interim Guidelines (Update - 2003-03-25)

Public Health Measures

- Public Health Management of SARS Cases and Contacts: Interim Guidelines (Version 7: December 17, 2003) [PDF](#) (23 Pages - 2003-12-17)
- SARS and Air Travel: Interim Guidelines for Prevention and Control (Version 2: May 8, 2003) (2003-05-13)
- SARS: Information Regarding People Arriving from a SARS Affected Area (Version 1: May 2, 2003) (2003-05-06)
- SARS: Interim Information for Travellers Leaving Canada (Version 1: April 11, 2003) [PDF](#) (4 Pages - 103 KB - 2003-04-17)

Infection Control Protocols

Fact Sheets for Health Care Facilities and Outpatient Settings

- Infection Control Guidance in a Non-Outbreak Setting, (In the Absence of SARS) When an Individual Presents to a Health Care Institution With a Respiratory Infection [PDF](#) (14 Pages - 144 KB - 2003-12-17)
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Airline Personnel and Quarantine Officers

- Fact Sheets for Airline Personnel and Quarantine Officers

Clinical Information

- Management of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) in Adults: Interim Guidance for Health Care Providers [PDF](#) (7 Pages - 133 KB - 2003-07-03)

Blood Safety

- Suspect/Probable SARS Cases Involving Blood Donation (2003-04-25)

- [Suspect/Probable SARS Cases Involving Recipients of Fresh Blood Products \(2003-04-25\)](#)

Publications

- [Update: Severe acute respiratory syndrome – Toronto, 2003](#)
Canada Communicable Disease Report - Volume 29 - Number 13
- [Assessment of In-Flight Transmission of SARS - Results of Contact Tracing, Canada](#)
Canada Communicable Disease Report - Volume 29-12 - 15 June 2003
- [Cluster of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Cases Among Protected Health Care Workers - Toronto, April 2003](#)
Canada Communicable Disease Report - Volume 29-11 - 1 June 2003
- [The war against an unknown pathogen: rising to the SARS challenge](#)
Canada Communicable Disease Report - Volume 29-09 - 1 May 2003
- [Preliminary Clinical Description of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome](#)
Canada Communicable Disease Report - Volume 29-08 - 15 April 2003
- [Epidemiology, Clinical Presentation and Laboratory Investigation of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome \(SARS\) in Canada, March 2003](#)
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Travel

- [Airline Resource Centre](#)
- [Interim Protocol: Prevention and Management of Suspect or Probable Cases of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome \(SARS\) on Cruise Ships \(2003-06-10\)](#)
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