Surveillance Items of Note:

- Influenza A/H3 cases continued in large numbers at border surveillance sites in Imperial County, CA.
- Cluster of influenza A/H3 at MCRD Parris Island in mid-December; seems to have abated by late December.

FEBRILE RESPIRATORY ILLNESS CASES:

Military Recruits
- N = 31 pos./56 tested

CDC-BIDS (Border)
- N = 134 pos./168 tested

DoD Beneficiaries
- N = 17 pos./33 tested

AGE RECRUIT SURVEILLANCE: 11/26/17 – 12/23/17

38 samples have completed testing:
- Of 20 samples from NRTC Great Lakes, 8 samples were Norovirus GII positive.
- Of 9 samples from Ft. Leonard Wood, 4 samples were Norovirus GII positive.

SPECIAL FORCES: 12/10/17 – 12/23/17

- Two respiratory samples were tested from a San Diego warfare training school and both were negative.

US-MEXICO BORDER ILI CASES: 10/01/16 – 12/23/17

- A NoV GI sample from MCRD San Diego was determined to have a novel polymerase (P) gene that has only been seen once before in a sample from Chelyabinsk, Russia in 2005. This sample was collected on November 7 during the STEC outbreak.

For more information please contact: nhrc-fri-surveillance@mail.mil