Clinical criteria for case classification

**Confirmatory:**
All of the following:
- A person who was hospitalized,
- **And** had pulmonary infiltrates, such as opacities on plain film chest radiograph or ground-glass opacities on chest CT,
- **And** had no evidence in medical record of alternative plausible diagnoses (e.g., cardiac, rheumatologic, or neoplastic process).

**Supportive:**
Both of the following:
- A person who was hospitalized
- **And** had pulmonary infiltrates, such as opacities on plain film chest radiograph or ground-glass opacities on chest CT.

Laboratory criteria for case classification

**Confirmatory:**
All of the following on initial work-up:
- Negative respiratory viral panel,
- **And** absence of positive influenza PCR,
- **And** absence of positive influenza rapid test,
- **And** absence of positive result for all other clinically indicated respiratory ID testing (e.g., urine antigen for *Streptococcus pneumoniae* and *Legionella*, sputum culture if productive cough, bronchoalveolar lavage culture, blood culture, testing for HIV-related opportunistic respiratory infections if appropriate).

**Presumptive:**
Both of the following:
- Clinical team caring for the patient believes pulmonary infection is not the sole cause of the underlying respiratory disease process
- **And** one or more of the following:
  - Positive respiratory viral panel,
  - **Or** positive influenza PCR or rapid test,
  - **Or** positive result for other clinically indicated respiratory ID testing,
  - **Or** testing was not performed.

Epidemiological criteria for case classification

A person who used e-cigarette ("vaping") or dabbing to inhale substances in 90 days before onset.
Case classification

**Confirmed:**
A person with confirmatory clinically criteria, confirmatory laboratory criteria, and epidemiological criteria.

**Probable:**
A person with confirmatory clinically criteria, presumptive laboratory criteria, and epidemiological criteria.

**Suspect:**
A person with supportive clinical criteria and epidemiological criteria will **temporarily** be classified as suspect while being investigated (all cases will eventually be classified as confirmed, probable, or not a case).

**Not a case:**
One or more of the following:
- Person did not use e-cigarette ("vaping") or dabbing to inhale substances in 90 days before onset,
- **Or** person was not hospitalized,
- **Or** person did not have pulmonary infiltrates, such as opacities on plain film chest radiograph or ground-glass opacities on chest CT,
- **Or** person had evidence in medical record of alternative plausible diagnoses (e.g., cardiac, rheumatologic, or neoplastic process).

Criteria to distinguish a new case from previous reports

Not applicable.