

**State of Rhode Island
Animal Emergency Disease Management (EDM) Committee**

The Rhode Island Emergency Disease Management (EDM) Committee considers State resources and plans for response to outbreaks of highly contagious or zoonotic disease among animals in Rhode Island. The committee's main focus is the management of diseases that are "notifiable" according to the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), including H5/H7 LPAI. (See [OIE notifiable diseases](http://www.oie.int/eng/maladies/en_classification2007.htm?e1d7) on-line at <http://www.oie.int/eng/maladies/en_classification2007.htm?e1d7>.) Members of the EDM Committee meet at least once each year and participate in emergency exercises at least once every 5 years.

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