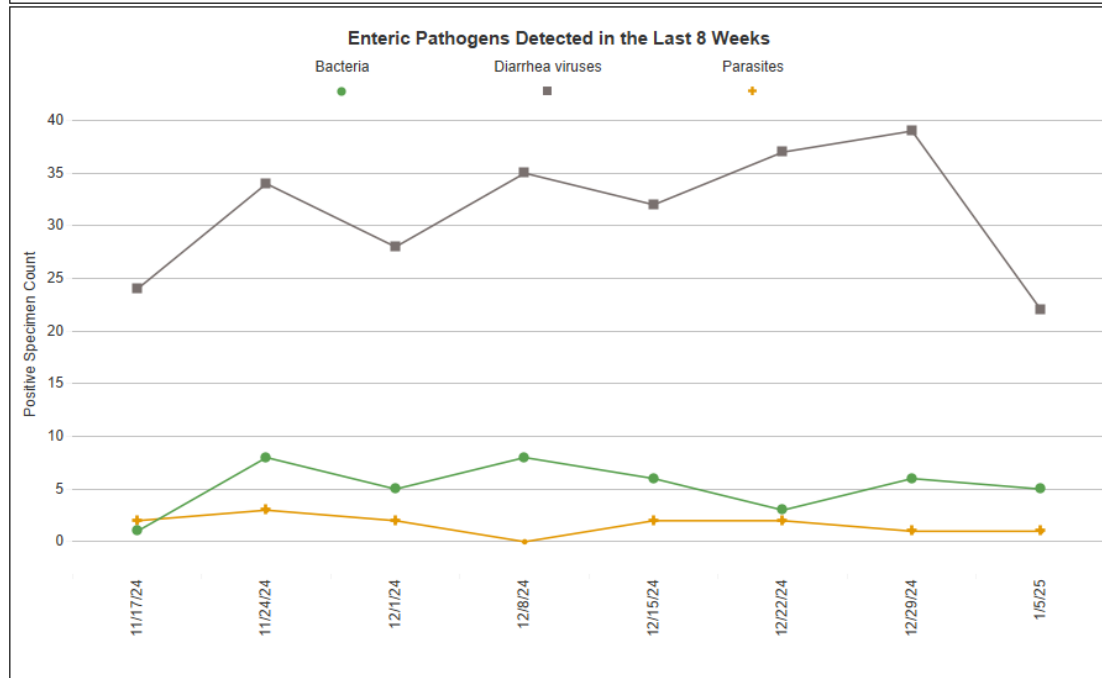
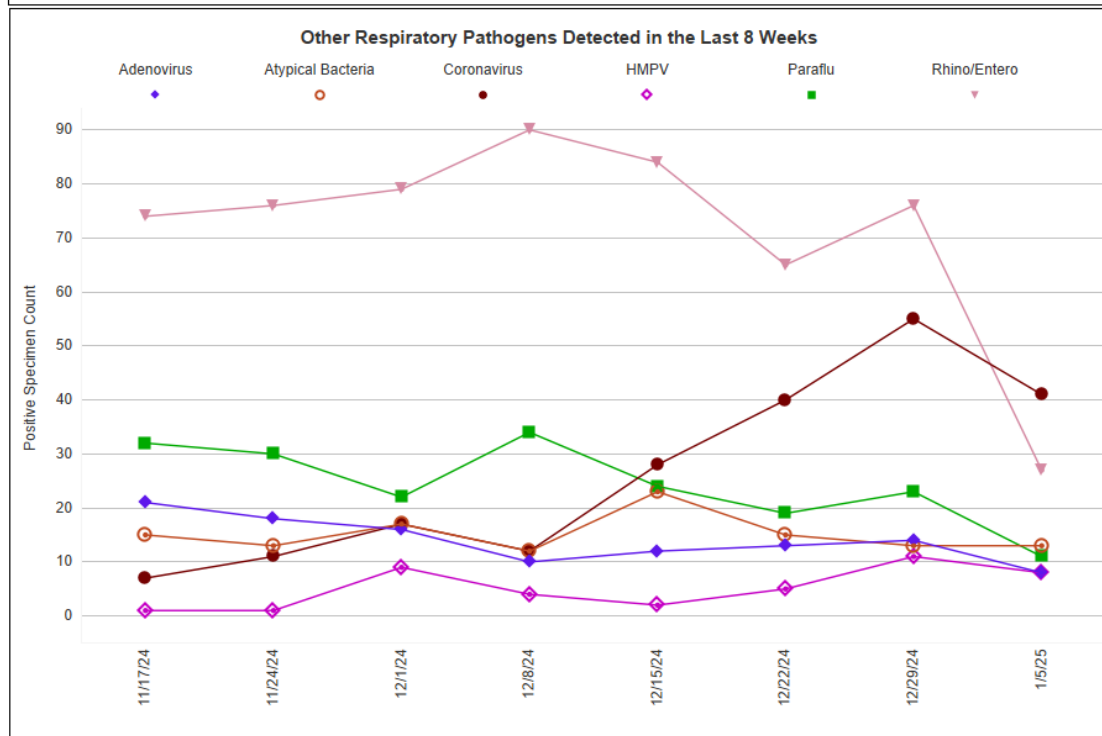
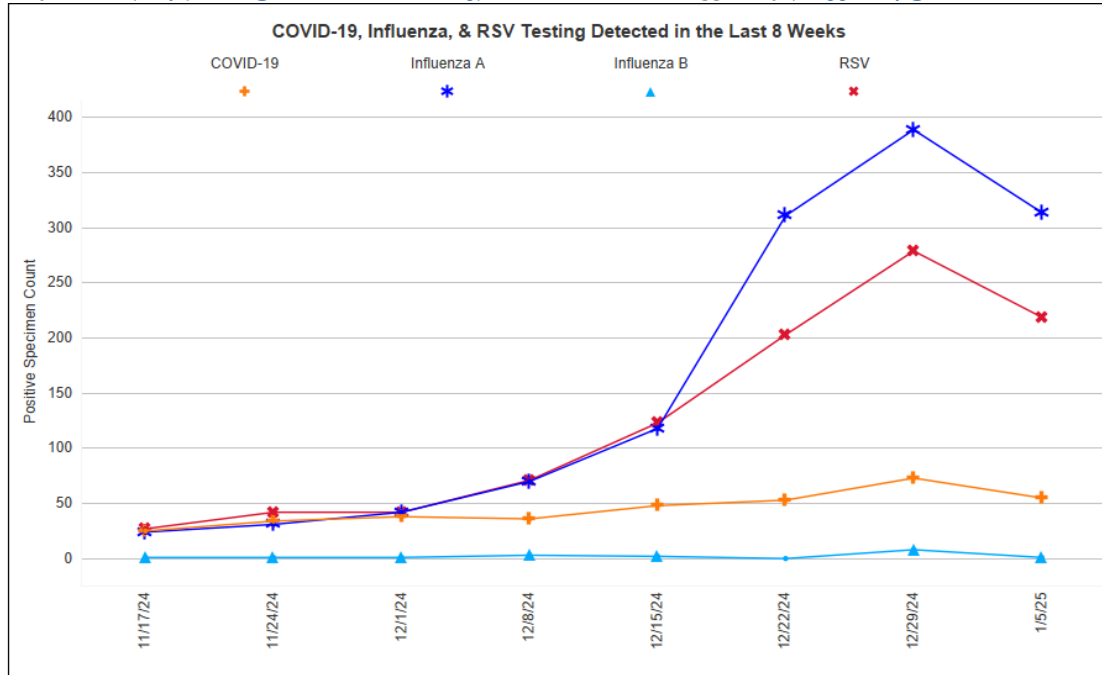


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Late Breaker: In addition to large numbers of influenza and RSV, Colorado is also seeing an increase in pertussis cases. National data demonstrate that cases in 2024 were six times higher than in 2023. Children’s Hospital Colorado now offers an in-house pertussis/parapertussis PCR that we run 7 days a week. Vaccination remains the best way to prevent pertussis. A 5-day course of azithromycin is the appropriate first-line agent for treatment and post-exposure prophylaxis.



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