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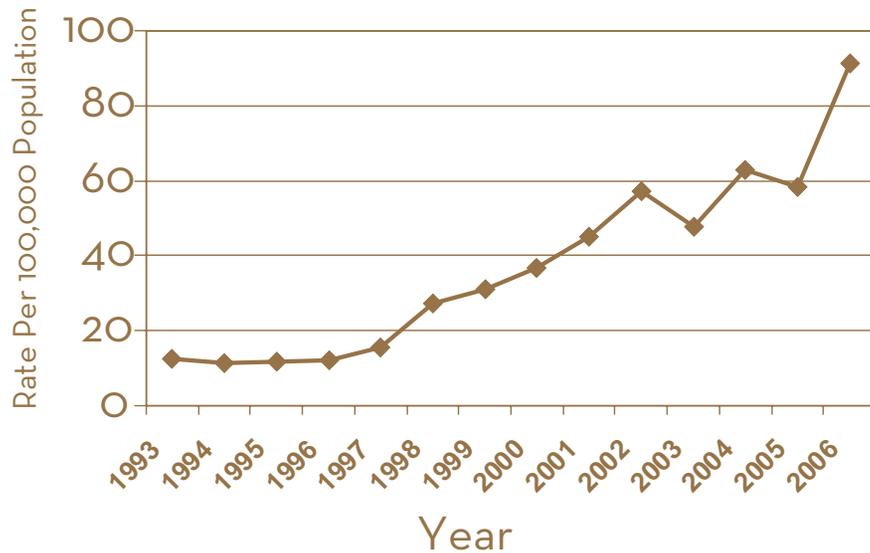


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VALLEY FEVER CASES ARE INCREASING

Coccidioidomycosis rate per 100,000 population by year, Arizona -1993-2006

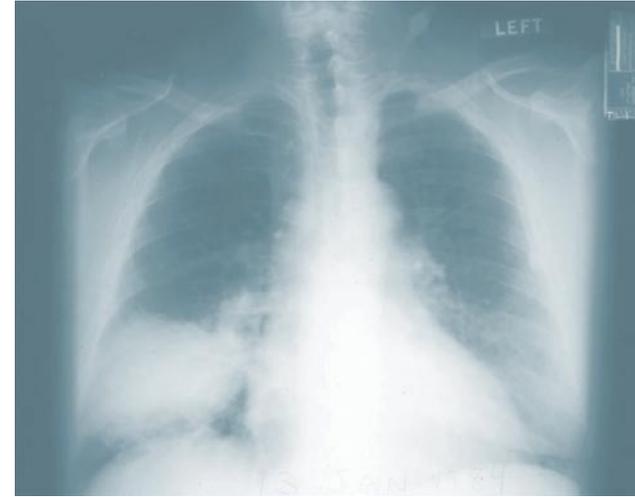


VALLEY FEVER MIMICS COMMUNITY ACQUIRED PNEUMONIA (CAP)

29% of Ambulatory CAP cases in Tucson, Arizona had diagnosis of Valley Fever.

Valdivia L, Nix D, Wright M, et al.

Coccidioidomycosis as a Common Cause of Community Acquired Pneumonia. Emerging Infectious Diseases 2006; 12: 958-62



WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Order Cocci serology on CAP cases
- Manage Valley fever cases
 - Inform patient of diagnosis
 - Report the case to public health
 - Consider treatment with anti-fungal drugs if the patient is at risk for severe disease

For more information on treatment guidelines, visit www.idsociety.org/pg

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