**Causative Agent:** *Yersinia spp. bacteria*

**Mode of Transmission:** Ingestion of food or water contaminated by intestinal carriers; an infection of rodents transmitted to humans by bite of infected fleas; direct contact with infected blood or tissues

**Incubation Period:** Human: 2-8 days

Animal: Uncertain

 **Clinical Signs Human:** Mimics clinical signs similar to appendicitis; fever; abdominal tenderness; anorexia; vomiting; enteritis with watery or bloody diarrhea; respiratory illness

 **Clinical Signs Animal:** Often inapparent; abortion; inflammation of the epididymis and testis; high mortality

**Control and Prevention:** Prevent fecal contamination of food and drinking water; good personal hygiene

**Comments:** Person to person transmission has been observed.