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Reportable Diseases, Emergency Illnesses and Health Conditions, and Reportable Laboratory Findings for 2022

As required by Conn. Gen. Stat. §19a-2a and Conn. Agencies Regs. §19a-36-A2, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health (DPH) is required to declare an annual list of Reportable Diseases, Emergency Illnesses and Health Conditions, and Reportable Laboratory Findings. The list of Reportable Diseases, Emergency Illnesses and Health Conditions has two parts: (A) reportable diseases; and (B) reportable emergency illnesses and health conditions. An advisory committee, consisting of public health officials, clinicians, and laboratorians, contribute to the annual process.

For 2022, there are no changes to the healthcare provider, emergency illnesses or health conditions, or laboratory reporting lists.

However, we have made some minor corrections and clarifications and would like to introduce the use of secure electronic fax (efax) for reporting.

Reportable disease and laboratory reporting forms are on the DPH "Forms" webpage at: https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Communications/Forms/Forms.

Healthcare provider reporting of diseases is required under Sections 19a-36-A3 and 19a-36-A4 (see back of form) of the Public Health Code and Sections 19a-2a and 19a-215 of the Connecticut General Statutes, using the designated forms.

Although we will still accept mailed forms, to reduce the amount of paper being handled and reduce delays in mailing of reports, we are encouraging providers to fax these reports instead of mailing.

Fast Track Initiative

Since 2017, the State Public Health Laboratory (SPHL) has conducted testing for carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE), carbapenem resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* (CRAB), and a subset of carbapenem resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (CRPA) isolates submitted by clinical laboratories. Under the new SPHL Fast Track

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Initiative for difficult-to-treat infections, all CRAB isolates, and reportable CRE isolates found to harbor a non-KPC carbapenemase (NDM, Oxa48, IMP or VIM) (or those CRE isolates that have strong clinical indicators that this is likely) will be eligible for ondemand testing services, including facilitation courier services and testing performed 7 days per week. Isolates received before noon will receive carbapenemase testing on the day of receipt, followed by antimicrobial susceptibility testing the following day. All isolates not eligible for Fast Track will be processed via the Standard Pathway with testing performed twice per week.

Questions regarding laboratory testing can be directed to Diane Noel by email diane.noel@ct.gov or phone 860-920-6550 (or 860-716-2705 on weekends and holidays). Questions regarding antimicrobial resistance surveillance can be directed to Meghan Maloney by email meghan.maloney@ct.gov or phone 860-840-1867.

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REPORTABLE DISEASES, EMERGENCY ILLNESSES and HEALTH CONDITIONS - 2022 PART A: REPORTABLE DISEASES

Physicians, and other professionals are required to report using the Reportable Disease Confidential Case Report form (PD-23), other disease specific form or authorized method (see page 4 for additional information). Forms can be found on the DPH "Forms" webpage or by calling 860-509-7994. Mailed reports must be sent in envelopes marked "CONFIDENTIAL."

Category 1 Diseases: Report immediately by telephone (860-509-7994) on the day of recognition or strong suspicion of disease

for those diseases marked with a telephone (2). On evenings, weekends, and holidays call 860-509-8000.

These diseases must also be reported by mail (or fax) within 12 hours.

Category 2 Diseases: All other diseases not marked with a telephone must be reported by mail (or fax) within 12 hours of

recognition or strong suspicion of disease.

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (1,2) Hepatitis B:

Acute flaccid myelitis

Acute HIV infection

Anthrax

Babesiosis

Borrelia miyamotoi disease

Botulism

Brucellosis

California group arbovirus infection

Campylobacteriosis

Candida auris

Chancroid

Chickenpox Chickenpox-related death

Chikungunya

Chlamydia (C. trachomatis) (all sites)

Cholera

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

COVID-19 Hospitalizations

Cryptosporidiosis

Cyclosporiasis

Dengue

Tiphtheria

E-cigarette or vaping product use associated lung injury (EVALI)

Eastern equine encephalitis virus infection

Ehrlichia chaffeensis infection

Escherichia coli O157:H7 gastroenteritis

Gonorrhea

Group A Streptococcal disease, invasive (3) Group B Streptococcal disease, invasive (3)

Haemophilus influenzae disease, invasive (3) Hansen's disease (Leprosy)

Healthcare-associated Infections (4)

Hemolytic-uremic syndrome (5)

Hepatitis A

acute infection (2)

HBsAg positive pregnant women

Hepatitis C:

acute infection (2)

• perinatal infection

positive rapid antibody test result

HIV-1 / HIV-2 infection in: (1)

persons with active tuberculosis disease

• persons with a latent tuberculous

• persons of any age

• pregnant women

HPV: biopsy proven CIN 2, CIN 3 or AIS

or their equivalent (1)

Influenza-associated death (6)

Influenza-associated hospitalization (6) Legionellosis

Listeriosis

Lyme disease

Malaria

Measles Melioidosis

Meningococcal disease

Mercury poisoning

Multisystem inflammatory syndrome in

children (MIS-C)

Mumps

Neonatal bacterial sepsis (7)

Neonatal herpes (≤ 60 days of age)

Occupational asthma

TOutbreaks:

Foodborne (involving ≥ 2 persons)

Institutional

Unusual disease or illness (8)

Pertussis

Plague

Pneumococcal disease, invasive (3)

Poliomvelitis

Powassan virus infection

O fever

Rabies

Ricin poisoning

Rocky Mountain spotted fever Rubella (including congenital)

Salmonellosis

SARS-CoV

Shiga toxin-related disease (gastroenteritis) Shigellosis

Silicosis

Smallpox

St. Louis encephalitis virus infection

Staphylococcal enterotoxin B pulmonary poisoning

Staphylococcus aureus disease, reduced or resistant susceptibility to vancomycin (1)

Staphylococcus aureus methicillinresistant disease, invasive, community

acquired (3,9) Staphylococcus epidermidis disease, reduced or resistant susceptibility

to vancomycin (1)

Syphilis

Tetanus

Trichinosis

Tuberculosis Tularemia

Typhoid fever

Vaccinia disease

Tenezuelan equine encephalitis virus infection

Vibrio infection (parahaemolyticus, vulnificus, other)

Viral hemorrhagic fever

West Nile virus infection

Yellow fever

Zika virus infection

FOOTNOTES: (NOTE: a footnote was removed, and they have been renumbered)

- Report only to State.
- As described in the CDC case definition.
- Invasive disease: from sterile fluid (blood, CSF, pericardial, pleural, peritoneal, joint, or vitreous) bone, internal body sites, or other normally sterile site including muscle.
- Report HAIs according to current CMS pay-for-reporting or pay-for-performance requirements. Detailed instructions on the types of HAIs, facility types and locations, and methods of reporting are available on the DPH website: https://portal.ct.gov/ DPH/HAI/Healthcare-Associated-Infections-Reporting-Requirements
- 5. On request from the DPH and if adequate serum is available, send serum from patients with HUS to the DPH Laboratory for antibody testing.
- Submit the Hospitalized and Fatal Cases of Influenza form as specified. For influenza Hospitalizations, Electronic Medical Record access is required.
- 7. Clinical sepsis and blood or CSF isolate obtained from an infant ≤ 72 hours of age.
- 8. Individual cases of "significant unusual illness" are also reportable.
- 9. Community-acquired: infection present on admission to hospital, and person has no previous hospitalizations or regular contact with the health-care setting.

How to report: The PD-23 is the general disease reporting form and should be used if other specialized forms are not available. The PD-23 can be found on the DPH "Forms" webpage (https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Communications/Forms/Forms). It can also be ordered by writing the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Ave., MS#11FDS, P.O. Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308 or by calling the Epidemiology and Emerging Infections Program (860-509-7994). Specialized reporting forms are available on the DPH "Forms" webpage or by calling the following programs: Epidemiology and Emerging Infections Program (860-509-7994) - Hospitalized and Fatal Cases of Influenza, Healthcare Associated Infections (860-509-7995) - National Healthcare Safety Network, HIV/AIDS Surveillance (860-509-7900) - Adult HIV Confidential Case Report form, Immunizations Program (860-509-7929) - Chickenpox Case Report (Varicella) form, Occupational Health Surveillance Program (860-509-7740) - Physician's Report of Occupational Disease, Sexually Transmitted Disease Program (860-509-7920), and Tuberculosis Control Program (860-509-7722). National notifiable disease case definitions are found on the CDC website.

Telephone reports of Category 1 disease should be made to the local Director of Health for the town in which the patient resides, and to the Epidemiology and Emerging Infections Program (860-509-7994). Tuberculosis cases should be directly reported to the Tuberculosis Control Program (860-509-7722). For the name, address, or telephone number of the local Director of Health for a specific town contact the Office of Local Health Administration (860-509-7660).

REPORTABLE LABORATORY FINDINGS - 2022

The director of a clinical laboratory must report laboratory evidence suggestive of reportable diseases (see page 4 for additional information). The Laboratory Report of Significant Findings form (OL-15C) can be found on the DPH "Forms" webpage or by calling 860-509-7994.

Anaplasma phagocytophilum by PCR only	Listeria monocytogenes (1) □ Culture □ PCR	
Babesia: IFA IgM (titer) IgG (titer)	Mercury poisoning	
☐ Blood smear ☐ PCR ☐ Other	\square Urine $\ge 35 \ \mu g/g$ creatinine $\mu g/g$	
□ microti □ divergens □ duncani □ Unspeciated	\square Blood \geq 15 μ g/L μ g/L	
Bordetella pertussis (titer) Culture (1) ☐ Non-pertussis Bordetella (1) (specify)	Mumps virus (12) (titer) PCR	
☐ Culture (1) ☐ Non-pertussis Bordetella (1) (specify)	Mycobacterium leprae	
Borrelia burgdorferi (2)	Mycobacterium tuberculosis Related Testing (1)	
The state of the s	AFB Smear □ Positive □ Negative If positive □ Rare □ Few □ Numerous	
California group virus (3) spp Campylobacter (3) spp Candida quris [report samples from all sites] (1)	If positive ☐ Rare ☐ Few ☐ Numerous NAAT ☐ Positive ☐ Negative ☐ Indeterminate	
Campylobacter (3) spp	Culture	
Cunatata auris [report samples from all sites] (1)	Culture \square <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> \square Non-TB mycobacterium. (specify M .	
Candida spp. [blood isolates only]: (1,3) Carbapenem-resistant Acinetobacter baumannii (CRAB) (1,4)		
Carbapenem-resistant Acinetobacter baumannii (CRAB) (1,4) Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales (CRE) (1,3,4)	Neisseria gonorrhoeae (test type) Neisseria meningitidis, invasive (1,4)	
Genus con	Culture Other	
Genus spp Carboxyhemoglobin $\geq 5\%$ (2) % COHb	Neonatal bacterial sepsis (3,13) spp	
Chikungunya virus	Plasmodium (1,3) spp	
Chlamydia trachomatis (test type)	Poliovirus	
Clostridium difficile (5)	Powassan virus	
Corynebacterium diphtheria (1)	Rabies virus	
Cryptosporidium spp (3) ☐ PCR ☐ DFA ☐ EIA ☐ Microscopy ☐ Other:	Rickettsia rickettsia □ PCR □ IgG titers ≥1:128 only □ Culture	
Cyclospora spp (3) PCR Microscopy Other:	Respiratory syncytial virus (2) Rubella virus (12) (titer)	
Dengue virus	Rubeola virus (Measles) (12) (titer) PCR	
Eastern equine encephalitis virus	St. Louis encephalitis virus	
Ehrlichia chaffeensis ☐ PCR ☐ IgG titers ≥1:128 only ☐ Culture	Salmonella (1,3)(serogroup & type) ☐ Culture ☐ PCR	
Enterotoxigenic Escherichia coli (ETEC)	SARS-CoV (1)	
Escherichia coli O157(1) □ Culture □ PCR	SARS-CoV (1) ☐ IgM/IgG ☐ PCR (specimen) ☐ Other	
Giardia spp (3) Group A Streptococcus, invasive (1,4) □ Culture □ Other	SARS-CoV2	
Group A Streptococcus, invasive (1,4)	☐ Positive ☐ Negative	
Haemophilus ducreyi	Shiga toxin (1) ☐ Stx1 ☐ Stx2 ☐ Type Unknown	
Haemophilus influenzae, invasive (1,4) ☐ Culture ☐ Other	□ PCR □ EIA	
Hepatitis A virus (HAV): □ IgM anti-HAV (7) □ NAAT Positive (6)	Shigella (1,3) (serogroup/spp) □ Culture □ PCR	
ALT Total Bilirubin	Staphylococcus aureus, invasive (4) □ Culture □ Other	
Hepatitis B HBsAg ☐ Positive ☐ Negative (7) ☐ IgM anti-HBc ☐ HBeAg (2) ☐ HBV DNA (2)	☐ methicillin-resistant ☐ methicillin-sensitive	
\square IgM anti-HBc \square HBeAg (2) \square HBV DNA (2)	Staphylococcus aureus, vancomycin MIC $\geq 4 \mu g/mL(1)$	
anti-HBs (7) ☐ Positive (titer) ☐ Negative	MIC to vancomycin µg/mL	
Hepatitis C virus (HCV) (8) Antibody	Staphylococcus epidermidis, vancomycin MIC ≥ 32 μg/mL (1) MIC to vancomycin μg/mL	
☐ PCR/NAAT/RNA ☐ Genotype specify Herpes simplex virus (infants ≤ 60 days of age)	Streptococcus pneumoniae	
□ Culture □ PCR □ IFA □ Ag detection	\Box Culture (1,4) \Box Urine antigen \Box Other (4)	
HIV Related Testing (report only to the State) (9)	Treponema pallidum RPR (titer)	
Detectable Screen (IA)	□ VDRL (titer) □ TPPA	
Antibody Confirmation (WB/IFA/Type-diff) (9)	Trichinella	
HIV 1 □ Positive □ Neg/Ind HIV 2 □ Positive □ Neg/Ind	Varicella-zoster virus, acute	
☐ HIV NAAT (or qualitative RNA) ☐ Detectable ☐ Not Detectable	□ Culture □ PCR □ DFA □ Other	
☐ HIV Viral Load (all results) (9) copies/mL	Vibrio (1,3) spp □ Culture □ PCR	
☐ HIV genotype (9)	West Nile virus	
☐ CD4 count: cells/uL;% (9) HPV (report only to the State) (10)	Yellow fever virus	
Biopsy proven □ CIN 2 □ CIN 3 □ AIS	Yersinia, not pestis (1,3) spp □ Culture □ PCR Zika virus	
or their equivalent, (specify)		
Influenza virus: (report only to State) ☐ Rapid antigen (2) ☐ RT-PCR	BIOTERRORISM at first clinical suspicion (14)	
☐ Type A ☐ Type B ☐ Type Unknown	Bacillus anthracis (1) Brucella spp (1) Brucella spp (1)	
☐ Subtype	Burkholderia mallei (1) Burkholderia pseudomallei (1) Clostridium botulinum Coxiella burnetii	
Lead poisoning (blood lead $\ge 10 \mu g/dL < 48 \text{ hrs}$; 0-9 $\mu g/dL \text{ monthly}$) (11)	Clostridium botulinum Coxiella burnetii Francisella tularensis Ricin	
□ Finger stick level μg/dL □ Venous level μg/dL Legionella spp (1)	Staphylococcus aureus - enterotoxin B Variola virus (1)	
☐ Culture ☐ DFA ☐ Ag positive	Venezuelan equine encephalitis virus	
☐ Four-fold serologic change (titers)	Viral agents of hemorrhagic fevers Yersinia pestis (1)	
1. Send isolate/specimen to Drift Laboratory. Send laboratory report	include urine or sputum; for CRAB results are only reportable by electronic file.	
(electronic or paper) on first identification of an organism. For CRE/CRAB, send laboratory report if carbanenem resistance is suggested by laboratory. 5. Upon request from the	DPH, report all <i>C. difficile</i> positive 10. Upon request from the DPH, send fixed tissue from the DPH, report all <i>C. difficile</i> positive diagnostic specimen for HPV typing	
antimicrobial testing. For GBS, send isolate for cases <1 year of age. For stool samples. 11. Report results > 10 µg/dL within 48 hours to the Local Health		
Salmonella, Shigella, Vibrio, and Yersinia (not pestis) tested by non-culture 6. Report peak ALT and Total Bilirubin results if conducted within example if LIN agrithment in Conducted within example if LIN agrithment in Conducted report peak ALT and Total Bilirubin results if conducted pepartment and DPH; submit ALL lead results at least monthly report peak ALT and Total Bilirubin results if conducted		
methods, send isolate if available; send stool specimen if no isolate available. For Shiga toxin-related disease, send positive broth or stool Otherwise, check "Not I	to Drift offity.	
specimen. For <i>Legionella</i> send only isolates. 7. Negative HBsAg and all	anti-HBs results only reportable significant by testing laboratory.	
2. Only laboratories with electronic file reporting are required to report 8. Report positive Antibod 8. Report positive Antibod	ears old. 13. Report all bacterial isolates from blood or CSF from infants ≤ 72	
positive results.	hours of age. esults only reportable by 14. Call the DPH, weekdays 860-509-7994; evenings, weekends,	
Sterile site: sterile fluids (blood CSE pericardial pleural peritoneal joint or electronic reporting.	and holidays 860-509-8000.	
vitreous), bone, internal body site (lymph node, brain, heart, liver, spleen,	, antigen, viral load, and qualitative 15. Report positive and negative results. Electronic reporting	

kidney, pancreas, or ovary), or other normally sterile site including muscle.

NAAT results. HIV genotype (DNA sequence) and all CD4

preferred.

Persons Required to Report Reportable Diseases, Emergency Illnesses and Health Conditions

- 1. Every health care provider who treats or examines any person who has or is suspected to have a reportable disease, emergency illness or health condition shall report the case to the local director of health or other health authority within whose jurisdiction the patient resides and to the Department of Public Health.
- 2. If the case or suspected case of reportable disease, emergency illness or health condition is in a health care facility, the person in charge of such facility shall ensure that reports are made to the local director of health and Department of Public Health. The person in charge shall designate appropriate infection control or record keeping personnel for this purpose.
- 3. If the case or suspected case of reportable disease, emergency illness or health condition is not in a health care facility, and if a health care provider is not in attendance or is not known to have made a report within the appropriate time, such report of reportable disease, emergency illness or health condition shall be made to the local director of health or other health authority within whose jurisdiction the patient lives and the Department of Public Health by:
 - a. the administrator serving a public or private school or day care center attended by any person affected or apparently affected with such disease, emergency illness or health condition;
 - b. the person in charge of any camp;
 - c. the master or any other person in charge of any vessel lying within the jurisdiction of the state;
 - d. the master or any other person in charge of any aircraft landing within the jurisdiction of the state;
 - e. the owner or person in charge of any establishment producing, handling, or processing dairy products, other food or non-alcoholic beverages for sale or distribution;
 - f. morticians and funeral directors

Persons Required to Report Reportable Laboratory Findings

The director of a laboratory that receives a primary specimen or sample, which yields a reportable laboratory finding, shall be responsible for reporting such findings within 48 hours to the local director of health of the town in which the affected person normally resides. In the absence of such information, the reports should go to the town from which the specimen originated and to the Department of Public Health. Reports must include name, address, contact phone number, date of birth, race, ethnicity, gender, and occupation of patient.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Reportable Disease Confidential Case Report Form PD-23 can be used to report conditions on the current list, unless there is a specialized form or other authorized method. The Laboratory Report of Significant Findings Form OL-15C can be used by staff of clinical laboratories to report evidence suggestive of reportable diseases or other approved format by DPH. Reporting forms can be found at: (https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Communications/Forms/Forms) or by calling 860-509-7994. Please follow these guidelines when submitting written reports:

- Forms must include name, address, and phone number of person reporting and healthcare provider, infectious agent, test method, date of onset of illness, and name, address, date of birth, race, ethnicity, gender, and occupation of patient.
- Send the white copy of completed form to DPH via fax (860-920-3131), or mail to: Connecticut Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Ave., MS#11FDS, P.O. Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308. Mark envelope with "CONFIDENTIAL".
- Unless otherwise noted, send the yellow copy of the completed report to the Director of Health of the patient's town of residence.
- Keep the pink copy in the patient's medical record.

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