REPORTABLE DISEASES IN THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

A case or suspected case of the following diseases is to be reported to the Department of Health by health-care providers, laboratories, schools, and child care facilities within the number of hours indicated following the disease name.

### VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASES

Report the following to the Division of Epidemiology - Disease Surveillance and Investigation  

**TEL** (202) 442-9371  **FAX** (202) 442-8060  
899 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 580, Washington, DC 20002

- Chickenpox - 48HR
- Diphtheria - 2HR
- Measles - 2HR
- Mumps - 2HR
- Pertussis (Whooping Cough) - 2HR
- Poliomyelitis - 2HR
- Rubella (including congenital) - 2HR
- Tetanus - 48HR
- Vaccine Adverse Events - 48HR

### SCHOOL-RELATED COMMUNICABLE DISEASES/CONDITIONS

Report the following to the Division of Epidemiology - Disease Surveillance and Investigation  

**TEL** (202) 442-8141  **FAX** (202) 442-8060  
899 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 580, Washington, DC 20002

- Scabies - 48HR
- STREP NON-INVASIVE, GROUP A (including Scarlet Fever and Strep Throat) - 24HR
- Tinea Capitis (Ringworm of scalp) - 48HR

**PLEASE NOTE:**
An outbreak of a disease of known or unknown etiology that may be a danger to the public health is reportable immediately.

### SEXUALLY-TRANSMITTED DISEASES (STD)

Report the following to the STD Information Coordination Team  

**TEL** (202) 671-4900  **FAX** (202) 727-4934 or 727-3345  
899 North Capitol Street, NE, 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20002

- Chancroid - 24HR
- Chlamydia infections (including PID and perinatal) - 24HR
- Gonococcal infections - 24HR
- Granuloma inguinale - 24HR
- Lymphogranuloma venereum - 24HR
- Non-gonococcal urethritis - 24HR
- Ophthalmia neonatorum - 24HR
- Syphilis (including congenital) - 24HR

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HEPATITIS
Report Hepatitis * (48HR) to the Bureau of Communicable Disease Control
TEL (202) 671-4900  FAX (202) 671-5094
899 North Capitol Street, NE, 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20002
* Includes Hepatitis A, B, C, D, non A-nonB

TUBERCULOSIS
Report Tuberculosis (24HR) to the Bureau of Tuberculosis Control
TEL (202) 698-4030  FAX (202) 724-2363
1900 Massachusetts Avenue, SE, Bldg. 15, Washington, DC 20003

ANIMAL BITES
Report Animal Bites (2HR) to the Animal Disease Control Division
TEL (202) 576-6664  FAX (202) 635-7915
1201 New York Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002

BLOOD LEAD LEVELS*
Report blood lead level results for all District residents less than 6 years of age to the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
TEL (202) 535-2624  SECURE FAX (202) 535-2607
1200 1st Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002
* Blood lead levels of ≥ 10 μg/dL must be reported within 29 hours

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OTHER IMPORTANT COMMUNICABLE DISEASES/CONDITIONS
Report the following to the Division of Epidemiology-Disease Surveillance and Investigation
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899 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 580, Washington, DC 20002

- AMEBIASIS-48HR
- ANTHRAX-2HR
- BOTULISM-2HR
- BRUCELLOSIS-48HR
- CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS-24HR
- CHOLERA-2HR
- COCCIDIOIDOMYCOSIS-48HR
- CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS-48HR
- CYCLOSPORIASIS-48HR
- E.COLI 0157:H7 INFECTION-2HR
- ENCEPHALITIS-48HR
- FOOD/WATERBORNE ILLNESS-2HR
- GIARDIASIS-48HR
- HAEMOPHILUS INFLUENZAE, INVASIVE-24HR
- HANTAVIRUS PULMONARY SYNDROME-2HR
- HEMOLYTIC UREMIC SYND.,post-diarrheal-2HR
- INFLUENZA, CONFIRMED-48HR
- INFLUENZA A, NOVEL-48HR
- LEGIONELLOSIS-48HR
- LEPROSY-24HR
- LEPTOSPIROSIS-48HR
- LISTERIOSIS-48HR
- LYME DISEASE-48HR
- MALARIA-48HR
- Meningitis (other than meningococcal)- 24HR
- MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE-2HR
- OUTBREAKS, ANY DISEASE-2HR
- PLAGUE-2HR
- PSITACOSIS-24HR
- Q-FEVER-24HR
- RABIES, HUMAN OR ANIMAL-2HR
- ROCKY MOUNTAIN SPOTTED FEVER-48HR
- SALMONEELLOSIS-24HR
- SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME-2HR
- SHIGELLOSIS-24HR
- SMALLPOX-2HR
- STREP INVASIVE, GROUP A-2HR
- STREP PNEUMONIAE, INVASIVE-24HR
- TOXIC-SHOCK SYNDROME-48HR
- TRICHINOSIS-48HR
- TYPHOID FEVER-2HR
- TULAREMIA-48HR
- TYPHUS-48HR
- VIBRIO-ANY SPECIES-48HR
- YELLOW FEVER-2HR
- YERSINIOSIS-48HR

PLEAS NOTE:
1. A single case of a disease not included in the list above, of known or unknown etiology, that may be a danger to the public health, or is not normally endemic in the area, as well as unusual manifestations of a communicable disease, are reportable immediately by telephone.
2. An outbreak of a disease of known or unknown etiology that may be a danger to the public health is reportable immediately.
3. Cases of disease suspected or confirmed to be caused by high priority bioterrorism agents, such as Bacillus anthracis, Yersinia pestis, Francisella tularensis, Brucella species, Coxiella burnetii, Smallpox virus, and Clostridium botulinum toxin, are reportable immediately by telephone.

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HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV)
AND ACQUIRED IMMUNODEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)
Report the following to the Strategic Information Division
TEL (202) 671-4900
899 North Capitol Street, NE, 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20002

Laboratory and Blood Banks– 48HR
- HIV positive test results
- All CD4 test results indicative of an HIV diagnosis
- All viral load test results

Healthcare Providers– 48HR
- HIV infection
- Perinatal exposure
- AIDS diagnosis which includes:
  o CD4 count less than 200 mm$^3$ (or less than 14%, if the absolute count is not available)
  o AIDS-defining condition, as follows:
    ▪ Candidiasis of esophagus, bronchi, trachea, or lungs
    ▪ Cervical cancer, invasive
    ▪ Coccidioidomycosis, disseminated or extrapulmonary
    ▪ Cryptococcosis, extrapulmonary
    ▪ Cryptosporidiosis, chronic intestinal (greater than one month’s duration)
    ▪ Cytomegalovirus disease (other than liver, spleen, or nodes)
    ▪ Cytomegalovirus retinitis (with loss of vision)
    ▪ Encephalopathy, HIV-related
    ▪ Herpes simplex: chronic ulcer(s) (greater than one month’s duration); or bronchitis, pneumonitis, or esophagitis
    ▪ Histoplasmosis, disseminated or extrapulmonary
    ▪ Isosporiasis, chronic intestinal (greater than one month’s duration)
    ▪ Kaposi’s sarcoma
    ▪ Lymphoma, Burkitt’s (or equivalent term)
    ▪ Lymphoma, immunoblastic (or equivalent term)
    ▪ Lymphoma, primary, of brain
    ▪ Mycobacterium avium complex or M. kansasii, disseminated or extrapulmonary
    ▪ Mycobacterium tuberculosis, any site (pulmonary or extrapulmonary)
    ▪ Mycobacterium, other species or unidentified species, disseminated or extrapulmonary
    ▪ Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia [Pneumocystis Jiroveci]
    ▪ Pneumonia, recurrent
    ▪ Progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy
    ▪ Salmonella septicemia, recurrent;
    ▪ Toxoplasmosis of brain
    ▪ Wasting syndrome due to HIV

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GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
REQUIREMENTS FOR FORWARDING SPECIMENS/ISOLATES
FROM HOSPITAL, COMMERCIAL, AND REFERENCE LABORATORIES
TO THE BUREAU OF LABORATORIES

1. Send specimens and/or isolates from ALL cases (diagnosed or suspected) of:
   - Anthrax
   - Botulism
   - Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome
   - Hemolytic uremic syndrome (E. coli only)
   - Toxic shock syndrome
   - Streptococcal Group A invasive diseases
   - Streptococcal Group B neonatal diseases
   - Streptococcus pneumoniae infections, invasive

2. The following isolates need to be serotyped/serogrouped and/or speciated. If the laboratory lacks this capacity or the appropriate tests have not been ordered, send isolates of the following:
   - Salmonella
   - Shigella dysenteriae (or any Shigella sterile site isolate)
   - Campylobacter
   - Escherichia coli 0157:H7
   - Vibrio cholerae
   - Haemophilus influenzae - sterile site isolates
   - Neisseria meningitidis - sterile site isolates

SEND ISOLATES AND SPECIMENS TO:

DC Department of Forensic Sciences
Public Health Laboratory
401 E. Street, SW
Washington DC 20024
TEL (202) 834-6313 FAX (202) 481-3429

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