



DISEASE Reporting for Clinicians

K.S.A. 65-118, 65-128, 65-6001 through 65-6007, K.A.R. 28-1-2, 28-1-4, and 28-1-18, (Statutes and regulations as amended, current through January 1, 2010)

SEDGWICK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By law, Kansas clinicians must report diagnoses of specified infections, diseases, and conditions. Both lab-confirmed and clinically suspect cases are reportable. The parallel system of lab reporting does not obviate the clinician's obligation to report. Some conditions (e.g., uncommon illnesses of public health significance, animal bites, HUS, PID, disease outbreaks) are rarely if ever identified by labs. **Public health depends on clinicians to report.**

Disease reports should be made to the patient's local health department and should include at least the patient's name, home address, phone number,

date of birth, sex, the diagnosis, and the date of symptom onset. Most reports should be made within one working day of the diagnosis.

Disease reporting enables appropriate public health follow-up for your patients, helps identify outbreaks, provides a better understanding of morbidity patterns, and may even save lives. Remember HIPAA does not prohibit you from reporting protected health information to public health authorities for the purpose of preventing or controlling disease, including public health surveillance and investigations; see 45 CFR 164.512(b)(1)(i).

CONTACT



the Sedgwick County Health Department when you encounter a reportable disease. You can...

CALL the 24-hour hotline
660-5555

To report TB: 660-7450
To report an STD: 660-7369

Fax - 660-5550

E-Mail - diseasereport@sedgwick.gov

Online

www.sedgwickcounty.org/healthdept/disease_reporting.asp

REPORT IMMEDIATELY

Report these diseases IMMEDIATELY:

- Anthrax • Botulism • Cholera • Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (or other prion illness)
- Measles (rubeola) • Meningitis, bacterial • Mumps • Pertussis • Poliomyelitis
- Plague • Q Fever • Rabies (human & animal) • Rubella • SARS • Smallpox
- Tuberculosis, active disease • Viral hemorrhagic fever • Any outbreak of disease*
- Any uncommon illness of public health significance** • Suspected acts of terrorism

*Outbreaks are ≥ 2 cases from separate households associated with a suspected common source.

**We can't list every exotic disease. Ask yourself, might there be public health implications? If the answer is "yes" or "maybe" give us a call. There are no penalties for over-reporting.

REPORT WITHIN ONE WORKING DAY

Report these diseases WITHIN ONE WORKING DAY:

- AIDS • Amebiasis • Arboviral disease (West Nile virus, Western Equine encephalitis, St. Louis encephalitis) • Brucellosis • Campylobacter • Chancroid • Chlamydia
- Cryptosporidiosis • Cyclospora • Diphtheria • Ehrlichiosis • E. Coli 0157:H7 (Shiga-toxigenic) • Giardiasis • Gonorrhea • Haemophilus influenza, (invasive disease)
- Hantavirus (pulmonary disease) • Hemolytic uremic syndrome, postdiarrheal
- Hepatitis viral (acute & chronic) • Hepatitis B (pregnancy) • HIV (includes Viral Load Tests) • Influenza (deaths ≤ 18 years) • Legionellosis • Leprosy
- Lyme disease • Malaria • Psittacosis • Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever
- Salmonella • Shigellosis • Streptococcal invasive, drug-resistant disease from Group A Strep or Strep pneumoniae • Syphilis • Tetanus • Toxic Shock Syndrome
- Trichinosis • Tuberculosis, latent infection • Varicella • Yellow fever



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