

# Diseases of Public Health Significance

Diseases that are underlined should be reported immediately by phone and those not underlined can be reported by next working day.

Local Northwestern Health Unit offices can be contacted Monday to Friday from 8:30-4:30 through local office contacts. After-hours support is available 24/7 at (807) 468-7109 or toll free at 1-866-475-6505.

The following designated diseases under the Health Protection and Promotion Act are to be reported to the Medical Officer of Health.

## Zoonotic/Enteric Diseases:

Amoebiasis  
Anthrax  
Blastomycosis  
Botulism  
Brucellosis  
Campylobacter enteritis  
Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae (CPE) [outbreaks]  
Cholera  
Clostridium difficile infection (CDI) outbreaks and outbreak-associated cases within hospitals, preliminary notification  
Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease, all types  
Cryptosporidiosis  
Cyclosporiasis  
Echinococcus multilocularis infection  
Food Poisoning, all causes  
Gastroenteritis, institutional outbreaks  
Giardiasis, except asymptomatic cases  
Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome  
Hemorrhagic fevers, including:

1. Ebola virus disease
2. Marburg virus disease
3. Other viral causes

Hepatitis A  
Lassa Fever  
Listeriosis  
Lyme Disease  
Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning  
Paratyphoid Fever  
Plague  
Psittacosis/Ornithosis  
Q Fever  
Rabies  
Salmonellosis  
Shigellosis  
Trichinosis  
Tularemia  
Typhoid Fever  
Verotoxin-producing E.Coli infection indicator conditions including Hemolytic Uraemic Syndrome (HUS)  
West Nile Virus  
Yersiniosis

## Respiratory/Direct Contact Diseases:

Acute Flaccid Paralysis  
Encephalitis, including:

1. Primary, viral
2. Post-infectious
3. Vaccine-related
4. Subacute sclerosing panencephalitis
5. Unspecified

Haemophilus influenzae disease, all types, invasive  
Influenza (report lab confirmed novel influenza immediately)  
Legionellosis  
Leprosy  
Meningitis, acute

1. Bacterial
2. Viral
3. Other

Meningococcal disease, invasive  
Ophthalmia neonatorum  
Respiratory infection outbreaks in institutions and public hospitals  
Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)  
Streptococcal Infections, Group A invasive  
Streptococcal Infections, Group B neonatal  
Smallpox  
Tuberculosis

## Sexually Transmitted Infections/Blood Borne Infections:

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS)  
Chancroid  
Chlamydia trachomatis infections  
Gonorrhea  
Hepatitis B  
Hepatitis C  
Syphilis

## Vaccine-preventable Diseases:

Diphtheria  
Measles  
Mumps  
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)  
Poliomyelitis, acute  
Rubella  
Rubella, congenital syndrome  
Streptococcus pneumoniae, invasive  
Tetanus  
Varicella (chickenpox)



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