



## Diseases of Public Health Significance

The Diseases of Public Health Significance List outlines communicable diseases that must be reported by physicians, laboratories, administrators of hospitals, schools and institutions to the local Medical Officer of Health according to the [Health Protection and Promotion Act](#) R.S.O. 1990, c. H.7. and its regulations, including [Regulation 135/18](#) and [Regulation 569](#). The [Personal Health Information Act \(PHIPA\)](#) explicitly allows health care providers to disclose information to the local Medical Officer of Health for purposes.

### DISEASES REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED BY TELEPHONE IMMEDIATELY:

<p><a href="#">Anthrax</a>  <a href="#">Botulism</a>  <a href="#">Brucellosis</a>  <a href="#">Cholera</a>  <a href="#">Clostridium difficile infection (CDI)</a>  outbreaks in public hospitals  Coronaviruses; including  i. Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS),  ii. Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS), and  iii. Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)  <a href="#">Cryptosporidiosis</a>  Cyclosporiasis  <a href="#">Diphtheria</a>  Encephalitis, primary, viral  <a href="#">Food Poisoning, all causes</a>  <a href="#">Gastroenteritis, outbreaks in institutional and public hospitals</a>  <a href="#">Giardiasis, except asymptomatic cases</a>  <a href="#">Group A Streptococcal Disease, invasive (iGAS)</a></p>	<p>Haemophilus influenzae disease, all types, invasive  Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome  <a href="#">Hemorrhagic Fevers, including,</a>  i. Ebola virus disease  ii. Marburg virus disease  iii. Lassa fever  iv. Other viral causes  <a href="#">Hepatitis A, viral</a>  Lassa Fever  <a href="#">Legionellosis</a>  <a href="#">Listeriosis</a>  <a href="#">Measles</a>  Meningitis, acute,  i. <a href="#">Bacterial</a>  ii. Viral  <a href="#">Meningococcal Disease, invasive</a>  <a href="#">Mumps</a>  <a href="#">Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning (PSP)</a>  Paratyphoid Fever</p>	<p><a href="#">Pertussis (Whooping Cough)</a>  <a href="#">Plague</a>  Poliomyelitis, acute  <a href="#">Q Fever</a>  <a href="#">Rabies</a>  Respiratory infection outbreaks in institutions and public hospitals  <a href="#">Rubella</a>  Rubella, congenital syndrome  <a href="#">Shigellosis</a>  <a href="#">Smallpox</a>  Tetanus  Tularemia  <a href="#">Typhoid Fever</a>  <a href="#">Verotoxin-producing E. coli infection</a>  including Haemolytic Uraemic Syndrome (HUS)  <a href="#">West Nile Virus Illness</a></p>
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### DISEASES REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED BY THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY:

<p><a href="#">Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)</a>  <a href="#">Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP)</a>  Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFI)  <a href="#">Amebiasis</a>  Blastomycosis  <a href="#">Campylobacter enteritis</a>  Carbapenamase-producing Enterobacteriaceae (CPE), colonization or infection  <a href="#">Chancroid</a>  <a href="#">Chickenpox (Varicella)</a>  <a href="#">Chlamydia trachomatis</a></p>	<p>Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease, all types  Echinococcus multiloculari infection  Encephalitis, including,  i. Post-infectious  ii. Vaccine-related  iii. Subacute sclerosing panencephalitis  iv. Unspecified  <a href="#">Gonorrhea</a>  Group B Streptococcal Disease, neonatal  <a href="#">Hepatitis B, viral</a>  <a href="#">Hepatitis C, viral</a>  <a href="#">Influenza</a>  Ophthalmia neonatorum  <a href="#">Leprosy</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Lyme Disease</a>  Meningitis, acute,  i. Bacterial  ii. Viral  iii. Other  <a href="#">Pneumococcal disease, invasive</a>  Psittacosis/Ornithosis  <a href="#">Salmonellosis</a>  <a href="#">Syphilis</a>  <a href="#">Trichinosis</a>  <a href="#">Tuberculosis</a>  i. Active Disease  ii. Latent Infection (LTBI)  <a href="#">Yersiniosis</a></p>
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