



# NOTIFIABLE CONDITIONS



## Call Immediately

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| Anthrax   | Plague  |
| Botulism, foodborne                               | Poliomyelitis, acute paralytic                              |
| Controlled substance overdose                     | Rabies, human   |
| Diphtheria  | Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)                    |
| Haemophilus influenzae type b infection, invasive | Smallpox  |
| Lead, child blood at any level                    | <i>Staph. aureus</i> , vancomycin-resistant (VISA and VRSA) |
| Lead, adult blood at any level                    | Tularemia   |
| Measles (rubeola)                                 | Viral hemorrhagic fever                                     |
| Meningococcal infections, invasive                | Yellow fever  |

## Within 1 work day

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| Brucellosis  | Q fever  |
| Hepatitis A  | Rubella (including congenital)                               |
| Hepatitis B (acute & chronic) identified prenatally or at delivery | Tuberculosis (includes all <i>M. tuberculosis</i> , complex) |
| Pertussis  | <i>Vibrio</i> infection, including cholera                   |

## Within One Week

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| Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS)    | Legionellosis   |
| Amebiasis                                     | Leishmaniasis   |
| Arbovirus infection                           | Listeriosis   |
| Asbestosis                                    | Lyme disease  |
| Botulism, infant, wound, and other            | Malaria   |
| Campylobacteriosis                            | Meningitis (specify type)   |
| Chancroid                                     | Mumps   |
| Chickenpox (varicella)                        | Pesticide poisoning, acute occupational                           |
| <i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> infection        | Relapsing fever   |
| Contaminated sharps injury                    | Salmonellosis, including typhoid fever                            |
| Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD)               | Shigellosis   |
| Cryptosporidiosis                             | Silicosis   |
| Cyclosporiasis                                | Spotted fever group rickettsioses                                 |
| Cysticercosis                                 | Streptococcal disease (group A, B, S. pneumo), invasive           |
| Dengue  | Syphilis  |
| Ehrlichiosis                                  | <i>Taenia solium</i> and undifferentiated <i>Taenia</i> infection |
| Encephalitis (specify etiology)               | Tetanus   |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> , enterohemorrhagic   | Trichinosis   |
| Gonorrhea                                     | Typhus  |
| Hansen's disease (leprosy)                    | West Nile Fever   |
| Hantavirus infection                          | Yersiniosis   |
| Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS)               | Drowning/near drowning  |
| Hepatitis B, C, D, E, and unspecified (acute) | Spinal cord injury  |
| Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection  | Traumatic brain injury  |

In addition to specified reportable conditions, **any outbreak, exotic disease, or unusual group expression of disease that may be of public health concern should be reported** by the most expeditious means available.

Several Texas laws (Health & Safety Code, Chapters 81, 84, and 87) require specific information regarding notifiable conditions be provided to the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). Health care providers, hospitals, laboratories, schools, and others are required to report patients who are suspected of having a notifiable condition (Chapter 97, Title 25, Texas Administrative Code).

Release of this information is allowable under HIPPA regulations. Section 164.512(b) permits covered entities to release private health information to a public health authority that is authorized by law to collect and receive information for preventing and controlling disease. This information includes reporting of disease, public health investigations, and public health interventions.

Under this exception you are authorized to release information to the public health department

**Denton County Health Department**  
**Business Hours (940)349-2916 or (940)349-2919**  
**24 Hour Emergency Line (940) 349-2909**

## How to Report

**Sexually transmitted diseases**, including HIV/AIDS should be reported to DSHS Region 2/3 (817) 264-4773, (817) 264-4778 fax.

**Tuberculosis** should be reported to [Charleen Neal](#), DCHD TB Program Manager, (940) 349-2562.

**Chickenpox** should be reported to [Leticia Chonay](#), Administrative Manager, (940) 349-2914, (940) 349-5078 fax.

**Controlled substance overdoses** should be reported to the [Poison Control Center](#), 1-800-222-1222.

**All other diseases and conditions** should be reported to Jessica Gullion, PhD, Chief Epidemiologist for the Denton County Health Department, (940) 349-2916, or to Dana O'Brien, MS, Epidemiology Investigator, (940) 349-2919. Reports may be faxed to (940) 349-5078.

### **DCHD voicemail and faxes are confidential.**

At a minimum, disease investigators will ask:

- Patient name
- Address
- Phone number
- Date of birth
- Sex
- Race/ethnicity
- For a faxed copy of confirmatory lab work (when available)

Additional information may be requested in order to conduct public health protection measures.