



COMMUNICABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES REPORTABLE IN MASSACHUSETTS BY HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS*

*Reportable infectious diseases and conditions are not limited to those designated below.
This list includes *only* those which are *primarily* reportable by clinicians.
A full list of reportable diseases in Massachusetts is detailed in 105 CMR 300.100.

REPORT IMMEDIATELY BY PHONE!

This includes both suspected and confirmed cases.


All cases should be reported to your local board of health;

if unavailable, call the [Massachusetts Department of Public Health](#):

Telephone: (617) 983-6800 Confidential Fax: (617) 983-6813


● **REPORT PROMPTLY (WITHIN 24 HOURS)**

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 Isolates should be submitted to the State Public Health Laboratory

 Anthrax 

 Any case of an unusual illness thought to have public health implications

 Any cluster/outbreak of illness, including but not limited to foodborne illness

 Botulism 

- Brucellosis 


 Cholera

- Chikungunya virus
- Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) and variant CJD


 Diphtheria

- Encephalitis, any cause

 Hemolytic uremic syndrome

 Foodborne illness due to toxins (including mushroom toxins, ciguatera toxins, scombrototoxin, tetrodotoxin, paralytic shellfish toxin and amnesic shellfish toxin, staphylococcus enterotoxin and others)

- Hansen's disease (leprosy)

 Hemolytic uremic syndrome

 Hepatitis A (IgM+ only)

- Hepatitis B in pregnant women
- Hepatitis syndrome, acute possibly infectious



 Influenza, pediatric deaths (<18 years old) 


 Infection due to novel influenza A viruses 

- Jamestown Canyon virus
- Lymphocytic choriomeningitis
- Malaria



 Measles 

- Meningitis, bacterial, community acquired
- Meningitis, viral (aseptic), and other infectious (non-bacterial)

 Meningococcal disease, invasive (*Neisseria meningitidis*) 


- Mumps 


- Pertussis

 Plague 

 Polio

- Powassan

 Pox virus infections in humans, including variola (smallpox), monkeypox, vaccinia, and other orthopox or parapox viruses

 Rabies in humans

 Respiratory infection thought to be due to any novel coronavirus including SARS and MERS

- Reye syndrome

- Rickettsialpox

- Rocky Mountain spotted fever

 Rubella


 Tetanus


- Toxic shock syndrome

- Trichinosis

 Tuberculosis 


- Evidence of tuberculosis infection

- Tularemia 

 Typhoid fever 

- Typhus

- Varicella (chickenpox)

 Viral hemorrhagic fevers

Animal bites should be reported
immediately to the designated local
authority.

Important Note: MDPH, its authorized agents, and local boards of health have the authority to collect pertinent information on all reportable diseases, including those not listed on this page, as part of epidemiological investigations (M.G.L. c. 111, s. 7).



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Reportable Diseases Primarily Detected Through Laboratory Testing

Please work with the laboratories you utilize to assure complete reporting.

- Anaplasmosis
- Amebiasis
- Babesiosis
- Campylobacteriosis
- Cholera
- Cryptosporidiosis
- Cyclosporiasis
- Dengue
- ☎ **Eastern equine encephalitis** ⇨
- Ehrlichiosis
- *Escherichia coli* O157:H7 ⇨
- Enteroviruses (from CSF)
- Giardiasis
- Glanders ⇨
- ☎ **Group A streptococcus, invasive**
- Group B streptococcus, invasive in patients <1 year old
- ☎ ***Haemophilus influenzae*, invasive** ⇨
- ☎ **Hantavirus**
- Hepatitis B
- Hepatitis C
- Hepatitis D
- Hepatitis E
- Influenza (⇨ if antiviral resistant)
- Legionellosis ⇨
- Listeriosis ⇨
- Lyme disease
- Melioidosis ⇨
- Norovirus
- Pneumococcal disease, invasive (*Streptococcus pneumoniae* in patients <18 years old ⇨)
- Pneumococcal disease, invasive, penicillin-resistant
- Salmonellosis ⇨
- Shiga toxin-producing organisms ⇨
- Shigellosis ⇨
- *Staphylococcus aureus*, methicillin-resistant (MRSA), invasive
- ☎ ***Staphylococcus aureus*, vancomycin-intermediate (VISA) and vancomycin-resistant (VRSA)** ⇨
- Psittacosis
- Q fever
- Toxoplasmosis
- Typhus
- Vibriosis ⇨
- West Nile ⇨
- Yellow fever
- Yersiniosis ⇨
- Zika

**Report Directly to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health,
Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences
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Sexually Transmitted Infections

- Chancroid
- Chlamydial infections (genital)
- Gonorrhea ⇨
- Gonorrhea resistant to Ceftriaxone ⇨
- Herpes, neonatal (onset within 60 days after birth)
- HIV infection and AIDS
- ☎ **Acute HIV infection**
- Lymphogranuloma venereum
- Ophthalmia neonatorum
- Pelvic inflammatory disease
- Syphilis

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