

**Sec. 19a-36-A3. Persons required to report reportable diseases and laboratory findings**

**(a) Reportable Diseases.**

(1) Every health care provider who treats or examines any person who has or is suspected to have a reportable disease shall report to the local director of health or other health authority within whose jurisdiction the patient resides and to the department such information about the affected person as described in section 19a-36-A4 of these regulations.

(2) If the case or suspected case of reportable disease is in a health care facility, the person in charge of such facility shall ensure that reports are made to the local director of health and the department in the manner specified in section 19a-36-A4 of these regulations. The person in charge shall designate appropriate infection control or record-keeping personnel for this purpose.

(3) If the case or suspected case of reportable disease is not in a health care facility and if a health care provider is not in attendance or is not known to have made a report within the appropriate time specified in section 19a-36-A4, such report of reportable diseases shall be made to the local director of health or other health authority within whose jurisdiction the patient lives and the department in the manner specified in section 19a-36-A4 by:

(A) the administrator serving a public or private school or day care center attended by any person affected or apparently affected with such disease;

(B) the person in charge of any camp;

(C) the master or any other person in charge of any vessel lying within the jurisdiction of the state;

(D) the master or any other person in charge of any aircraft landing within the jurisdiction of the state;

(E) the owner or person in charge of any establishment producing, handling or processing dairy products, other food or non-alcoholic beverages for sale or distribution;

(F) morticians and funeral directors.

(4) Each local director of health shall report or ensure reporting to the department within 24 hours of each case or suspected case of a Category I reportable disease and such additional information of which he has knowledge as described in section 19a-36-A4 of these regulations.

**(b) Reportable laboratory findings.**—The director of a laboratory that receives a primary specimen or sample which yields a reportable laboratory finding shall be responsible for reporting such findings within forty-eight (48) hours to the local director of health of the town in which the affected person normally resides, or, in the absence of such information, of the town from which the specimen originated, and to the department on forms provided by the department.

(1) When a laboratory identifies or presumptively identifies a significant isolate or other finding that requires confirmation by the laboratory as required in the annual list, the director must submit that isolate or specimen from which the finding was made to the department's laboratory division.

(2) Laboratory tests and confirmatory tests for certain reportable diseases as specially indicated in the annual list shall be exempted from any and all fees for the state laboratory services in accordance with Section 19a-26 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

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