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## **Updates to Title 17 Disease Reporting Requirements**

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## **Background:**

In June 2025, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), in collaboration with the California Conference of Local Health Officers, revised Title 17 (Sections 2500, 2502, 2505, and 2508) of the California Code of Regulations, updating the classification and urgency of several communicable disease reports.

RUHS-Public Health has aligned its reporting protocol, with the current list of reportable diseases and timeframes available at <u>Disease Reporting Requirements</u>

# **Key Reporting Updates**

The following conditions have been newly added, reclassified, or renamed in Riverside County's updated reporting protocol accordingly.

### A) Conditions Now Requiring Immediate Reporting by Telephone

- **Melioidosis** has been newly added as a reportable condition and must be reported immediately by telephone.
- **Monkeypox** (also referred to as Orthopoxvirus infection) has been reclassified from one working day to immediate reporting.
- Neisseria meningitidis (invasive disease) now replaces the broader category "Meningococcal infection" and must be reported immediately by telephone.

#### B) Conditions Now Reportable Within One Working Day

- Brucellosis, human has been reclassified from immediate to within one working day.
- Cronobacter sakazakii infections in infants less than one year of age have been newly added.
- Cyclosporiasis has been reclassified from a 7-day timeframe to within one working day.
- **Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS)** is now reportable within one working day, reclassified from immediate notification.
- **Legionellosis** has been reclassified from a 7-day reporting requirement to within one working day to enhance outbreak response capability.

- Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C) is a newly added condition now reportable within one working day, supporting rapid pediatric case identification and surveillance.
- Shiga toxin detected in feces is now reportable within one working day, reclassified from immediate reporting while maintaining strong surveillance standards.

# C) Condition Now Reportable Within One Calendar Day

• Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is now reportable only when hospitalization occurs.

## D) Condition Now Reportable Within Seven Calendar Days

Silicosis newly added; report within seven days of diagnosis.
This preventable lung disease is caused by inhaling silica dust during activities like cutting, grinding, drilling, or crushing stone, concrete, or sand. Timely reporting helps identify workplace exposures, prevent further cases, and protect at-risk workers. Learn more at the CDPH website: <a href="Silicosis">Silicosis</a> "What Providers Need to Know"

# **Provider Responsibilities**

All licensed healthcare providers, medical facilities, and laboratories are legally required to report communicable diseases according to Title 17 urgency timelines.

- Update EHR systems and workflows with the revised disease list and reporting urgency.
- Use the California Reportable Disease Information Exchange (CalREDIE) for electronic case reporting.

To enroll (<u>CalREDIE Account Request Portal · CalREDIE</u>) Request "Provider Account" For questions, contact Barbara Cole at (951) 358-5107

- Educate clinical and administrative staff about the new requirements.
- Post the updated guidelines prominently in clinical work areas.

### **Reporting Methods**

• **Immediate reports:** (951) 358-5107 (phone)

• Electronic reports: CalREDIE, CMR, or E-fax (951) 358-5446

• Forms and guidance: Communicable Disease Reporting

Prompt reporting ensures timely public health response and community protection.