

Health, Department of

Sexually Transmitted Diseases

Chapter 2: Reporting Procedures

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RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

CHAPTER 2 Reporting Procedures

Section 1. Disease List. W.S. 35-4-130 declares Sexually Transmitted Diseases to be contagious, infectious, communicable and dangerous to public health. A current listing of time based reportable diseases may be obtained from the office of the State Health Officer, State Epidemiologist, state Sexually Transmitted Diseases Program or State HIV/AIDS Prevention Program. Reportable Sexually Transmitted Diseases include the following (a through e):

- (a) AIDS - Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
- (b) Chlamydia - Chlamydia trachomatis
- (c) Gonorrhea - Neisseria gonorrhoeae
- (d) HIV Infection - Human Immune Deficiency Virus
- (e) Syphilis - Treponema pallidum

Section 2. Reporting Required.

(a) The following is a list of individuals and facilities which have an independent duty to report the occurrence of sexually transmitted disease:

- (i) A physician or other health care provider diagnosing or treating a case of sexually transmitted disease;
- (ii) The administrator of a health care facility or penal institution in which there is a case of a sexually transmitted disease;
- (iii) The administrator or operator of a laboratory performing a positive test for sexually transmitted disease.

Section 3. Reporting Procedures/Methods.

(a) The physician must report or cause a report to be made using an official State Disease Case Report, a report via telephone, or a report via secured fax.

(b) The administrator of a health care facility or penal institution must report or cause a report to be made of the diagnosis or treatment of a sexually transmitted disease..

(c) The administrator or operator of a laboratory must report or cause a report to be made of test findings for reportable sexually transmitted diseases.

(d) Any physician or other health care provider and any administrator or operator of a health care facility or laboratory or penal institution reporting a diagnosis or positive test result pursuant to W.S. 35-4-130 through 35-4-134 shall notify any health care employee and/or health care professional reasonably expected to be at risk of exposure to a dangerous or life-threatening sexually transmitted disease, e.g., HIV/AIDS, who is

involved in the supervision, care, and treatment of an individual infected or reasonably suspected of being infected with a dangerous life-threatening sexually transmitted disease.

- (i) Notification shall be verbal.
- (ii) Notification shall take place within 24 hours or as soon as possible.

Section 4. Submission of Reports. All sexually transmitted diseases and HIV/AIDS reports made by the physician or other health care provider, administrator of a hospital, director or supervisor of a laboratory facility, dispensary or penal institution, or any other health care facility shall be forwarded to:

Wyoming Department of Health
Preventive Health and Safety Division
Epidemiology Section
Hathaway Building, 4th Floor
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

Fax: (307) 777-5573
Phone: (307) 777-3593

All written reports mailed utilizing a mail carrier shall be in an envelope marked “**CONFIDENTIAL**”.

Section 5. Report Forms. Reporting forms may be obtained from the Wyoming Department of Health, Epidemiology Section.