

It's The Law

Reporting Notifiable Diseases and Conditions

The *Health Protection Act* (novascotia.ca/dhw/cdpc/acts-and-legislation.asp) requires that the diseases and conditions listed below be reported to Public Health Services in the NSHA.

For more information on case definitions for notifiable diseases in Nova Scotia, please refer to the Surveillance Guidelines: novascotia.ca/dhw/populationhealth/diseases-and-conditions-A-Z.asp.

Report as soon as **SUSPECTED** by telephone

All unusual disease clusters, disease outbreaks, and unusual disease occurrences should be reported immediately.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) • Anthrax • Botulism • Cholera • Diphtheria • Ebola Virus Disease • Group A Streptococcal Disease Invasive • Haemophilus Influenzae Type B Invasive Disease (HIB) • Hepatitis A | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Influenza: Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) • Measles • Meningococcal Disease Invasive • Mpox • Plague • Poliomyelitis • Rabies • Rubella • Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) • Shellfish Poisoning (Paralytic and Amnesic) • Smallpox • Tuberculosis • Typhoid • Verotoxigenic E. coli (Crimean-Congo, Lassa, Marburg, Rift Valley) |
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Report by next business day

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS) • Adverse Event Following Immunization (AEFI) • Anaplasmosis • Babesiosis • Brucellosis • Campylobacteriosis • Chlamydia • Clostridium difficile • Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease - Classic (CJD) • Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease - New Variant (vCJD) • Cryptosporidiosis • Cyclosporiasis • Giardiasis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gonorrhea • Group B Streptococcal Disease of Newborn • Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome • Hepatitis B • Hepatitis C • Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) • Influenza • Legionellosis • Leprosy (Hansen's Disease) • Listeriosis Invasive • Lyme Disease • Malaria • Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) • Meningitis (Bacterial) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mumps • Pertussis • Pneumococcal Disease Invasive • Powassan Virus • Salmonellosis (includes Paratyphoid) • SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) • Shigellosis • Syphilis • Tetanus • Tularemia • Vancomycin Resistant Enterococcus (VRE) • West Nile Virus • Yellow Fever |
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Report Notifiable Diseases to Public Health:

WESTERN ZONE

Annapolis Valley

Tel: 902-542-6310

Fax: 902-542-4429

South Shore

Tel: 902-543-0850

Fax: 902-527-4208

South West

Tel: 902-742-7141

Fax: 902-742-3083

NORTHERN ZONE

Colchester-East Hants

Tel: 902-893-5820

Fax: 902-893-2614

Cumberland

Tel: 902-667-3319

Fax: 902-893-2614

Pictou

Tel: 902-752-5151

Fax: 902-893-2614

EASTERN ZONE

Cape Breton

Tel: 902-563-2400

Fax: 902-563-2005

Guysborough and Antigonish

Tel: 902-867-4500 ext. 4800

Fax: 902-863-5111

CENTRAL ZONE

Tel: 902-481-5800

Fax: 902-481-5889

After Hours*: Contact the Public Health Nurse on call at 902-473-2222

*If calling outside of usual working hours, Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

