HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD and TB Reporting to DC Department of Health

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What and When to Report
District of Columbia Municipal Regulations Chapter 22-B200

• HIV and AIDS
  • Pregnancy among women with HIV
• Syphilis
• Gonorrhea
• Chlamydia
• Hepatitis B
• Hepatitis C
• Active Tuberculosis (incl. suspect)

Suspected or confirmed cases should be reported within 48 hours.
What information should be reported?

• Locating Information
  • Patient’s name, date of birth, address, phone, race/ethnicity, gender
  • Provider’s name, address, phone

• Disease Information
  • Disease name
  • Diagnostic test results & dates
  • Signs & symptoms
  • Treatment meds & dates

• Pregnancy status

• Risk factors
  • Gender of sex partner
  • Drug use

• Preventive measures taken
  • Expedited partner therapy (EPT)
  • Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)
How to Report Cases

• Phone
• Mail or Fax (not preferred)
• Secure, HIPAA-Compliant, REDCap Portal:
Health Department Actions after an HIV, STD, or TB Case is Reported

Strategic Information Division – Mission
Collect, monitor, evaluate, disseminate and act to promote and protect public health

- Case report
- Confirm appropriate treatment
- Priority cases are referred for field interview
- Field Interview & Partner Elicitation
- Contact the partners
- Partner management (test, treat, refer, prevent)
Priority Cases that Need Interviews

**Tuberculosis**
- Active TB (suspected)
- Active TB (confirmed)

**Syphilis**
- Early Syphilis: primary, secondary, early latent
- Congenital syphilis (suspected or confirmed)
- Neurological syphilis
- Women with syphilis (esp. pregnant)

**HIV**
- New HIV diagnosis
- Viremic or out-of-care HIV+ with STD

**Gonorrhea**
- Exogenital or disseminated gonorrhea
- Rectal gonorrhea
- Pregnant women with GC
A health care practitioner who diagnoses a chlamydia, gonorrhea or trichomoniasis infection in a patient may prescribe and dispense antimicrobial drugs to the patient’s sexual partner for treatment of that STI without an examination of the sexual partner.

Patient delivered partner therapy can prevent re-infection of index case and has been associated with a higher likelihood of partner notification.
HIV and STD Field Services

• Guiding principles
  • Ethical practice of public health
  • Security and confidentiality of data
  • Cultural sensitivity

• Goals
  • Ensure the patient has received appropriate care and treatment
  • Counsel the patient on recognizing signs & symptoms, preventing future infections
  • Partner elicitation & notification

• Methods
  • Phone or in-person interview

• Outcomes
  • Linkage to care
  • Referral to PrEP or PEP
  • Locate, test, and treat partners
What happens after a TB case is reported?

**Active or Suspected Active TB**
- Confirmation of diagnosis
- Directly observed therapy (DOT)
- Management of side effects of TB meds
- Clinical follow-up throughout treatment course at DC TB Chest Clinic (77 P St. NE)

**TB Contact Investigation**
- Identify persons exposed in the home, school, or workplace
- Test exposed persons
- Treat LTBI
Annual Surveillance and Epidemiology Report

Source: https://dchealth.dc.gov/HAHSTA2018AnnualReport
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