Davis County Disease Reporting FAQs

Why is disease reporting required?

Diseases are required to be reported by Utah's Communicable Disease Rule (R386-702). All reports required by this rule are confidential and not open to public inspection. However, case information can be shared and discussed between public health workers and attending physicians without requiring a release of information.

Prompt reporting allows public health to:

- Interrupt disease transmission
- Locate and provide prophylaxis or treatment to those exposed
- · Identify and contain outbreaks
- Ensure proper treatment and follow-up
- Alert medical community

The information obtained through disease reporting is also used to monitor disease trends over time, identify high-risk groups, allocate resources, develop policy and prevention programs, and support grant applications.

Who is required to provide information regarding cases of reportable diseases?

- Physicians
- Laboratories
- Hospitals
- Schools
- Other healthcare
- Childcare centers

When should a report be made?

Some diseases require <u>immediate</u> telephone reporting. Those diseases are found at the top of the reportable diseases list. All other disease case reports should be made within **three days** of identification.

What diseases are required to be reported?

A Utah Reportable Diseases list has been included in your packet. Additional copies are available upon request.



The list can also be accessed on our website https://bit.ly/33ZsgZl, or scanning this QR code:



Davis County Health Department Disease Reporting Line:

Phone: (801)525-5220 Fax: (801)525-5210

How are disease to be reported?

For diseases requiring immediate reporting, please call Davis County Health Department's Disease Reporting Line. Someone is on-call 24/7, and for situations where someone is temporarily unavailable a confidential voicemail is available.

For non-urgent reports and messages, phone or fax reports are acceptable. All reports are promptly addressed.

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What patient information should be included?

Copies of the Disease Report Form have been included. It includes all the information that should be reported, such as:

- Disease
- Name
- Home address
- Telephone Number
- Date of Birth
- Gender
- Date of symptom onset
- Date of laboratory test
- Clinical treatment information
- Name and telephone number of healthcare provider
- A copy of lab results, if available
- Any other disease-specific information

What if I have other questions about disease reporting?

For more information about disease reporting you can visit our website at https://goo.gl/jFV2BG, or by scanning this QR code:



If you have additional questions, please contact our communicable disease epidemiologist, Caitlin Pratt, by phone at (801)525-5204, or email at cpratt@co.davis.ut.us.