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# INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATION POLICY

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# The Communicable Disease Notification Policy

The Communicable Disease Notification Policy aims to fulfil the following overarching Dubai Health Authority (DHA) Strategic Priorities

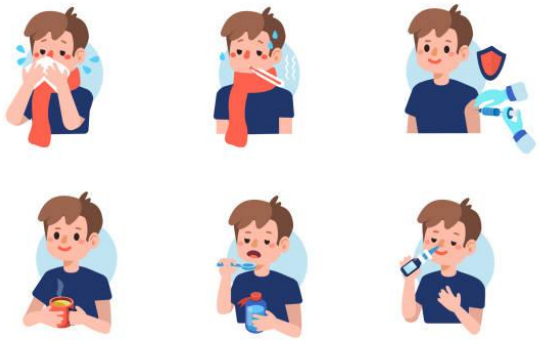
- Pioneering Human-centered health system to promote trust, safety, quality and care for patients and their families.
- Make Dubai a lighthouse for healthcare governance, integration and regulation.
- Leading global efforts to combat epidemics and infectious diseases and prepare for disasters.
- To assure early detection, timely prevention and control of communicable diseases in the Emirate of Dubai.
- To monitor and investigate the occurrence of communicable diseases in the Emirate of Dubai.
- To manage and issue accurate reports on communicable disease notification.

**Immediately (urgently) Reportable Communicable Disease (0-8hrs)**

1. Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP)
2. Anthrax
3. Botulism
4. Cholera
5. Diphtheria
6. Food poisoning
7. Enterohemorrhagic Escherichia coli
8. Influenza, Avian
9. Measles
10. Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS)
11. Novel Corona Covid-19 (SARS COV-2)
12. Monkey pox
13. Nipah Virus
14. Plague
15. Poliomyelitis
16. Rabies
17. Rubella (Including Congenital)
18. Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)
19. Smallpox
20. Typhus Fever
21. Viral Hemorrhagic Fevers (e.g., Crimean Congo, Ebola, Lassa, and Marburg viruses)
22. Yellow Fever
23. Any unusual/emerging disease specified by the concerned department in the ministry.

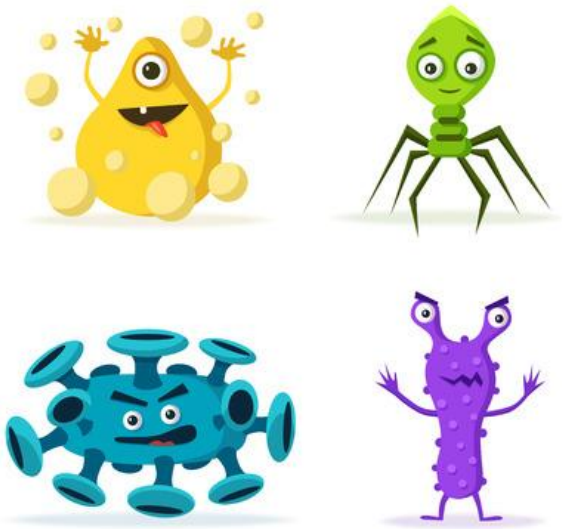
**Immediately Reportable Communicable Disease (within 24hrs)**

1. Haemophilus influenza invasive disease
2. Hepatitis A
3. Hepatitis E
4. Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/AIDS
5. Legionellosis
6. Salmonellosis
7. Shigellosis
8. Meningitis Specify Etiology:
   - Bacterial
   - Viral
9. Influenza A H1N1
10. Dengue Fever
11. Leprosy (Hansen Disease)
12. Malaria
13. Pertussis
14. Tetanus
15. Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)
16. Tuberculous Meningitis (Extra pulmonary)



**Weekly Reportable Communicable Disease (within 5 Working Days)**

1. Ascariasis
2. Amoebiasis
3. Brucellosis
4. Chickenpox (Varicella)
5. Conjunctivitis
6. Cytomegalovirus
7. Encephalitis
   i. Bacterial
   ii. Viral
8. Food borne Illness Specify:
   i. Amoebic dysentery
   ii. Bacillary dysentery
9. Giardiasis
10. Infectious mononucleosis
11. Influenza
12. Invasive Pneumococcal Disease (IPD)
13. Listeriosis
14. Mumps
15. Relapsing Fever
16. Scabies



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