

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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IN COOPERATION WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Dear Reporting Partner,

As a reporting facility, we rely on you to identify and report diseases and conditions of concern to help protect the health of the community.

Some important reminders:

- Physicians and persons in charge of medical care facilities are required to report diagnosed or reasonably suspected disease conditions from the Virginia Reportable Disease List.
- Facilities that are operated or licensed by any agency of the commonwealth are responsible for reporting outbreaks as defined by the Board of Health.
- Facilities are asked to provide a weekly report to assist with Influenza surveillance.
- The health commissioner and his/her designee have the authority to view medical records
 of medical care facilities pertaining to the investigation of reportable disease conditions.

Disease reports should be submitted to your local health department. The health department is available to answer questions or provide training for your facility regarding disease reporting. For more information on these updates and reporting requirements, please visit our website: http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/epidemiology/

This packet contains:

- The Virginia Reportable Disease List, updated October 20, 2016
- Instructional guide for Influenza Surveillance and use of a Morbidity Report
- Influenza Overview for Healthcare Providers in Virginia (2017-2018)- 2 page document
- Virginia Department of Health Confidential Morbidity Report copy

We appreciate your continued collaboration in our mutual effort to care for the health of our communities. Thank you again for your commitment and hard work.

Health Director

Sincerely

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