

4605.7050 UNUSUAL CASE INCIDENCE.

Subpart 1. **Cases, suspected cases, or increased incidence.** Any pattern of cases, suspected cases, or increased incidence of any illness beyond the expected number of cases in a given period, which may indicate a newly recognized infectious agent, an outbreak, epidemic, emerging drug resistance, or public health hazard, including suspected or confirmed outbreaks of food or waterborne disease, epidemic viral gastroenteritis, and any disease known or presumed to be transmitted by transfusion of blood or blood products, shall be reported immediately by telephone, by the person having knowledge, to the commissioner.

Subp. 2. **Unexplained death or critical illness.** An unexplained death or unexplained critical illness in a previously healthy individual that may be caused by an infectious agent shall be reported by the attending health care practitioner, medical examiner or coroner, or by the person having knowledge about the death or illness to the commissioner within one day.

Subp. 3. **Submissions.** Upon request of the commissioner, medical laboratories shall submit test results and clinical materials for cases and suspected cases reported under subparts 1 and 2 to the Minnesota Department of Health, Public Health Laboratory.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 144.05; 144.072; 144.0742; 144.12; 144.122*

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