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Reportable Conditions by Fax

Key Points and Recommendations:

- The NH Division of Public Health Services (DPHS) experienced a fax outage last week that may have resulted in failure of fax transmissions for reportable conditions from providers and laboratories. NH DPHS is requesting that providers re-send all faxes submitted from October 27, 2021 at 12:00 pm through October 29, 2021 at 12:00pm.
- Providers and laboratories should also ensure fax transmissions to NH DPHS include the full 10-digit fax number to accommodate the recent statewide <u>announcement</u> from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regarding required use of the area code.
 - Communicable disease reporting fax line: 603-271-0545
 - o Lead results reporting fax line: 603-271-3991
- All COVID-19 test results (positive, negative, invalid, and indeterminate) must be reported to NH DPHS, including point-of-care tests (see <u>reporting options</u>).
- Healthcare providers should continue to submit COVID-19 clinical case reports using the <u>case report form</u>.
 - Provider reporting is important for any death or hospitalization due to COVID-19, and any suspected case of multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C) or adults (MIS-A).
 - Providers are encouraged to report any new infection (even if reported by a laboratory) to provide demographic, risk factor, and clinical information.
- If providers experience difficulties with faxing or are seeking alternatives to fax, please email <u>casecoordinationmanagement@dhhs.nh.gov</u> or call 603-271-4496.

- For any questions regarding this notification, please call the NH DHHS, DPHS, Bureau of Infectious Disease Control at (603) 271-4496 during business hours (8:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m.).
- If you are calling after hours or on the weekend, please call the New Hampshire Hospital switchboard at (603) 271-5300 and request the Public Health Professional on-call.
- To change your contact information in the NH Health Alert Network, please send an email to <u>DHHS.Health.Alert@dhhs.nh.gov</u>.

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