

Summary of Public Health Reporting for 2022

Reporting Procedures and Resources

All public health reporting documentation and guidance for reportable communicable and environmental diseases in Tennessee is available on the Reportable Diseases website at <https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/reportable-diseases.html>.

Reporting Methods and Requirements

Healthcare Facilities/Providers and Laboratories should report using one of the following methods:

1. Report Via Fax

The PH-1600 may be faxed or emailed directly to the local or regional health office at <https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/localdepartments.html>, or to the Communicable and Environmental Diseases and Emergency Preparedness (CEDEP) Division at the Tennessee Department of Health (TDH) at (615) 741-3857.

2. Report Online

Online reporting for all conditions is completed in the National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS) Base System (NBS): <https://hssi.tn.gov/auth/login>. Healthcare providers and laboratories will log in to NBS to enter patient demographics, the reportable condition, facility and provider information, and attach lab report information. Reporters can request an account at <https://redcap.health.tn.gov/redcap/surveys?s=8L7CMWHN4M>. If you encounter problems signing up, please email ceds.informatics@tn.gov.

Laboratories have the additional reporting option:

3. Electronic Laboratory Reporting (ELR)

Requirements for electronic laboratory reporting are available at <https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/laboratory-reporting.html>.

Hospitals

Reporting antibiotic use in acute care hospitals through the National Healthcare Safety Network's Antibiotic Use and Resistance Module will be required beginning January 1, 2022. This will be a phased-in approach based on hospital bed size and will begin with facilities with ≥ 250 beds. As this will require some planning for hospitals to implement, the Tennessee Department of Health recommends that facilities with fewer than 250 beds allow adequate time for preparation. For more information, and to see the roll out plan for future years, please visit <https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/hai.html>.

2022 Reportable Disease Documentation in Tennessee (For Healthcare Providers and Laboratories)

Important changes in 2022 include:

Healthcare Providers/Facilities Only:

- Antimicrobial Use in acute care hospitals with ≥ 250 beds through the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) will be required beginning January 1, 2022

Laboratories Only:

- EIP Partners are now required to submit suitable SARS-CoV-2 specimens to the State Public Health Lab for sequencing

2022 Reportable Diseases in Tennessee: Detailed Laboratory Guidance

For 2022, the Detailed Laboratory Guidance document has been updated with the following changes:

- Coronavirus disease caused by SARS CoV-2 is reportable by both healthcare providers and laboratories. However, as Federal reporting criteria and local reporting needs have been changing throughout the pandemic, we will be hosting reporting criteria on our website. The links for the relevant pages are included in the detailed laboratory guidance.
- Additional details have been added to the Laboratory Tests and Results to Report to Public Health
 - Reporting timeline changes for the following conditions:
 - Campylobacteriosis, Cholera, Cyclosporiasis, Escherichia coli: Shiga-Toxin Producing, Salmonellosis: Non-Typhoid, Salmonellosis: Typhoid Fever, Shigellosis, Yersiniosis, Vibriosis (non-cholera Vibrio species)
 - Updated or clarified language for lab guidance for the following conditions:
 - Carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter*, *Candida Auris*, Extended spectrum Beta Lactamase-Producing *Escherichia coli*, Meningitis, *Staphylococcus aureus*: All vancomycin non-susceptible, *Streptococcus pneumoniae* Invasive disease, Group A Streptococcus Invasive Disease, Vancomycin-Resistant *Enterococcus* Invasive Disease, HIV/AIDS, *Haemophilus influenzae* Invasive Disease, Meningococcal Disease (*Neisseria meningitidis*), Chlamydia
 - Additional pathogens/organisms for the following conditions:
 - Lyme Disease, Viral Hemorrhagic Fevers
 - Change to names for the following conditions:
 - Carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae*, *Klebsiella*