

50 State COVID-19 Reporting Reference Guide

What Businesses and Facilities Need to Know About Reporting The Novel Coronavirus





As businesses across the country either continue to operate or begin the process of returning employees to the worksite, they must also prepare and implement plans to keep their employees safe. However, despite best efforts, the possibility remains that an employee may show symptoms of the novl coronavirus (COVID-19) or test positive for COVID-19 after they have returned to work (or have continued to work). In those situations, it is important for employers to know whether they have an obligation to contact state health authorities and, if so, how quickly such reports must be made. Seyfarth has prepared a 50-state survey of state-level public health reporting requirements identifying who is required to report COVID-19 cases, as well as the timeframe that is required for reporting. This landscape is ever changing, so please be sure to follow up with your Seyfarth lawyer to ensure you have the most up-todate information.

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State	Mandatory Infectious Disease Reporting Rule Relating to Health Care Providers and Laboratories	Mandatory Infectious Disease Reporting Rule Expressly Relating to All Employers	What Employers are Mandatory Reporters	Other Notes
AL Alabama	Yes	No	Physicians, dentists, nurses, medical examiners, hospital administrators, nursing home administrators, lab directors, school principals, and day care directors.	Report within 4 hours of presumptive diagnosis.
AK Alaska	Yes	No	Health care providers and laboratories.	Must "immediately" report.
AZ Arizona	Yes	No	Health care providers (physician, physician assistant, registered nurse practitioner, or dentist) and administrators of a health care institution (facilities with medical services or other health-related services) or correction facility; An administrator of a school, child care establishment, or shelter, either personally or through a representative; per Arizona EO 30, hospitals must submit detailed reports every 24 hours.	Submit a report by telephone or through an electronic reporting system authorized by the Department within 24 hours after a case or suspect case is diagnosed, treated, or detected or an occurrence is detected.
AR Arkansas	Yes	No	Physician, practitioner, nurse, superintendent, or manager of a dispensary, hospital, clinic, nursing or extended care home, and laboratory personnel examining human specimens.	Must "immediately" report.
CA California	Yes	No	Laboratories, physician and surgeon, a veterinarian, a podiatrist, a nurse practitioner, a physician assistant, a registered nurse, a nurse midwife, a school nurse, an infection control practitioner, a medical examiner, a coroner, or a dentist; anyone in charge of a public or private school, kindergarten, boarding school, or day nursery.	
CO Colorado	Yes	No	Laboratories, health care providers, or public health staff.	
CT Connecticut	Yes	No	Health care providers, including administrators of health care facilities; per CT EO 34, mandatory reporting required from nursing homes.	
DE Delaware	Yes	No	Physicians, laboratories, and other health care providers.	
DC District of Columbia	Yes	No	Health care providers, veterinarians, or other persons in charge of a communicable disease case.	

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FL Florida	Yes	No	Medical practitioners, laboratories, medical facilities, animal control personnel; "requires immediate reporting of suspected or confirmed cases and both positive and negative test results of Coronavirus (COVID-19) by physiciasn, hospitals, and laboratories."	
GA Georgia	Yes	No	Physicians, laboratories, and other health care providers.	
Ha Waii	Yes	No	Physicians, laboratory directors, health care providers.	
ID Idaho	Yes	No	Physician, hospital or health care facility administrator, laboratory director, school administrator, persons in charge of food establishments, physician assistants, CNP, RN, school health nurses, infection surveillance staff, public health officials, coroners.	
Illinois	Yes	Yes	Physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nursing assistants, dentists, health care practitioners, emergency medical services personnel, laboratory personnel, long-term care personnel; any institution, school, college/ university, child care facility, or camp personnel; pharmacists, poison control center personnel, plood bank and organ transplant personnel, coroners, funeral directors, morticians and embalmers, medical examiners, veterinarians, correctional facility personnel, food service management personnel, any other person having knowledge of a known or suspected case or carrier of a reportable communicable disease or communicable disease or communicable disease death; the master, pilot or any other person in charge of any bus, train, ship or boat, and the commander, pilot or any other person in charge of any aircraft within the jurisdiction of the State.	
IN Indiana	Yes	No	Physicians, hospitals, and laboratories.	

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IA Iowa	Yes	No	Health care providers, hospitals, clinical laboratories, health care facilities, school nurses, school officials, laboratories, poison control and poison information centers, medical examiners, occupational nurses. Further, hospitals, health care providers and clinical laboratories outside the state of lowa shall immediately report any confirmed or suspect case of a reportable disease, poisoning or condition in an lowa resident.	
KS Kansas	Yes	No	Health care providers and laboratories.	
KY Kentucky	Yes	Probably No	Physician, advanced practice registered nurse, and every head of family.	
LA Louisiana	Yes	No	Physician, osteopath, coroner, medical examiner, dentist, homeopath, infection control practitioner, medical records director, nurse, nurse midwife, nurse practitioner, pharmacist, physician assistant, podiatrist, social worker, veterinarian, director of laboratories, director of health care facilities whether public, private, hospital or other, within or out of the state, and any other health care professional; public health authorities must notify first responders that they have come in contact with COVID-19 patient.	COVID-19 was added to the list of conditions that must be reported as soon as possible but no later than 24 hours. (Emergency Action, eff. March 6, 2020)
ME Maine	Yes	Yes	Health care providers, medical laboratories, health care facilities, child care facilities, correctional facilities, educational institutions, health officers, veterinarians, and veterinary medical laboratories, physicians.	In the event of the declaration of an extreme public health emergency, other entities and individuals may be required to report specific information to the Maine CDC when an Extreme Public Health Emergency or a health emergency has been declared. The professionals who must so report will be specified by the Director of the Maine CDC or the State Epidemiologist after the extreme public health emergency or health emergency has been declared.
MD Maryland	Yes	No	Health care providers, laboratory directors; a master in charge of a vessel or aircraft; a teacher at any school will report to principal, school nurse, or superintendent or assistant superintendent or designee who will then report to a health officer.	Immediate reporting of COVID-19.

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MA Massachusetts	Yes	No	Household members, physicians and other health care providers, and other officials designated by the Department; school, day care, hospital, institution, clinic, medical practice, laboratory, labor or other camp, elder housing facilities.	
Michigan	Yes	No	Physicians, laboratory directors, health care administrators, epidemiologists, infection preventionists from health care facilities or other institutions, dentists, nurses, pharmacists, physician assistants, veterinarians, and any other health care professional; schools, daycares, and camps; hospitals must report demographic data in those infected or deceased during pandemic.	Coronavirus, Novel must be reported within 24 hours. ("Reportable Diseases in Michigan - by Condition" and "by Pathogen," revised March 2020)
MN Minnesota	Yes	Yes	Health care practitioners (health care facilities, medical laboratories, and in certain circumstances veterinarians and veterinary medical laboratories), any person in charge of any institution, school, child care facility, or camp; the head of the household, or other person in charge of any institution, school, hotel, boarding house, camp, dairy farm, or pasteurization plant, or any other person having knowledge of any individual believed to have or suspected of having any disease.	
MS Mississippi	Yes	No	Each clinician including each physician, pathologist, nurse practitioner, medical examiner; coroner, laboratory director, and veterinarian.	
MO Missouri	Yes	No	Physician, physician's assistant, nurse, hospital, clinic, or other private or public institution providing diagnostic testing, screening or care to any person with any disease; any person in charge of a public or private school, summer camp, or child or adult care facility.	Coronavirus infections must be immediately reported. (Emergency Rule, adopted March 2, 2020)
MT Montana	Yes	Yes	Any person, including a physician, dentist, nurse, medical examiner, other health care practitioner, administrator of a health care facility or laboratory, public or private school administrator, or laboratory professional who knows or has reason to believe that a case exists of a reportable disease or condition.	
NE Nebraska	Yes	No	Health care providers (physicians and hospitals) and laboratories.	

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NV Nevada	Yes	Yes	Any person who reasonably suspects or knows that another person has a communicable disease and knows that the other person is not receiving health care services from a health care provider shall report that person to the health authority having jurisdiction where the person making the report resides; director or other person in charge of medical facility; principal or other person in charge of school, child care facility, or correctional facility; person in charge of a house of prostitution.	
New Hampshire	Yes	Probably Yes	Any health care provider, clinical laboratory director, the superintendent or other person in charge of any hospital, or other health care facility, or any other person having under his or her care or observation a person afflicted with a communicable disease or communicable disease syndrome, or who has reason to believe that a person was or might have been afflicted with a communicable disease at the time of death; veterinarian, livestock owner, veterinary diagnostic laboratory director, or other person engaged in the care of animals, clinical laboratory.	
NJ New Jersey	Yes	No	Health care providers (physicians, advanced practice nurses, physician assistants, and certified nurse midwives); administrators (persons having control or supervision over a health care facility, correctional facility, school, youth camp, child care center, preschool, or institution of higher education); laboratory directors; hospitals must report COVID-19 demographic data, number that tested positive, those who died, those attempted to treatment and were admitted, and those who were turned away for testing; health care facilities must report COVID-19 data related to health care workers and first responders.	
NM New Mexico	Yes	Probably Yes	Health care professionals, laboratories and any other person having knowledge of any person having or suspected of having a notifiable condition (including conditions of publich health significance).	

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NY New York	Yes	Probably No	Physicians, school nurses, laboratory directors, infection control practitioners, daycare center directors, health care facilities, state institutions and any other individuals/locations providing health care services; when no physician is in attendance, it shall be the duty of the head of a private household or the person in charge of any institution, school, hotel, boarding house, camp, or vessel or any public health nurse or any other person having knowledge of an individual affected with any disease presumably communicable, to report immediately the name and address of such person to the city, county or district health officer; the Department of Public Health must report the number of surplus ventilators available at the end of the COVID-19 state of emergency.	Link to regulations leads to following message: Communicable Disease Reporting Requirements document is under review and is going to be available soon.
NC North Carolina	Yes	No	Physicians, school administrators and child care operators, medical facilities, operators of restaurants and other food or drink establishments, laboratories.	Novel Coronavirus infections must be reported immediately. (Emergency Rule, March 2, 2020)
ND North Dakota	Yes	No	Health care providers, directors of health care institutions, laboratories, blood banks, schools, correctional institutions, funeral homes, child care facilities, camps, veterinarians.	
OH	Yes	No	Health care providers.	
OK Oklahoma	Yes	No	Health care providers and laboratories.	Coronavirus must be reported immediately. (Okla. Admin. Code 310:515-1-3)
OR Oregon	Yes	No	Health care providers, laboratories; where no health care provider is in attendance, any individual knowing of a case must report.	
PA Pennsylvania	Yes	No	Health care practitioners, health care facilities, clinical laboratories, individuals in charge of: institutions maintaining dormatories and living rooms; orphanages; and child care group settings; health care providers, including pharmacies receiving test results, must report positive COVID-19 patients within 3 days of results; elder residential facilities must report COVID-19 rest results and deaths of all employees, patients, and their family members.	

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RI Rhode Island	Yes	No	Physicians, physicians assistants, certified registered nurse practitioners, midwives, clinical laboratories; hospitals (from both inpatient and outpatient setting), facility administrators or infection control practitioners, all other health care facilities.	Reporting within 24 hours of recognition or strong suspetcion of disease.
SC South Carolina	Yes	No	Laboratories, health care providers, hospitals, clinics, other health care facilities.	
SD South Dakota	Yes	No	Physicians, hospitals, laboratories, and institutions (includes health care facilities, medical laboratories, diagnostic laboratories, blood bank, collection, or storage centers), public and private elementary and secondary schools, public and private universities and colleges, health and correctional institutions operated or regulated by municipal, county, state, or federal governments, funeral establishments and mortuaries, child-care facilities, and food service, lodging, and campground establishments.	
TN Tennessee	Yes	Yes	All health care providers and other persons knowing of or suspecting a case, culture, or specimen of a reportable disease or event.	"Health care providers should report within 24 hours of receiving a COVID-19 diagnosis, positive lab report on a patient, and/ or becoming aware of a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 associated death Laboratories performing COVID-19 testing should be reporting these results electronically." (Tennessee Dept. Health, Case Reporting Guidance, issued March 27, 2020)
TX Texas	Yes	No	Physician, dentist, veterinarian, chiropractor, advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, or person permitted by law to attend a pregnant woman during gestation or at the delivery of an infant, laboratories, school authorities.	"Every public or private entity that is utilizing an FDA-approved test, including an emergency use authorization test, for human diagnostic purposes of COVID-19, shall submit to DSHS, as well as to the local health department, daily reports of all test results, both positive and negative. DSHS shall promptly share this information with the CDC." (Executive Order, March 24, 2020)

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UT _{Utah}	Yes	Yes	Health care providers, health care facilities, dispensaries, clinics, laboratories, schools, childcare, any individual with a knowledge of others who have a communicable disease, blood donation centers, correctional facilities	Must report cases or suspect cases
VT Vermont	Yes	No	Infection preventionists, health care providers, laboratory directors, nurse practitioners, nurses, physician assistants, physicians, school health officials, administrators of long-term care and assisted living facilities	
VA Virginia	Yes	No	Physicians, directors of laboratories, persons in charge of a medical care facility, persons in charge of a residential or day program, service, or facility licensed or operated by any agency of the Commonwealth, or a school, child care center, or summer camp, local health directors, persons in charge of hospitals, nursing facilities, or nursing homes, assisted living facilities and correction facilities, food establishments	
WA Washington	Yes	No	Health care providers, veterinarians, food service establishments, child day care facilities, schools	Reporting by other employers is expressly optional
WV West Virginia	Yes	No	Health care providers and health care facilities	Clinicians should immediately notify both infection control at their health care facility and their local health department in the event of a person under investigation for 2019-nCoV. (HEALTH ALERT #164, Issued January 31, 2020)
WI Wisconsin	Yes	Yes	Health care providers, laboratory, teacher, principal or nurse, any person who knows or suspects that a person has a communicable disease.	COVID-19 is listed as a "Category 1" disease. "Category I diseases must be reported IMMEDIATELY by telephone (preferred) to the patient's local health officer, or their designee." (WI Dept Health)
WY Wyoming	Yes	No	Physician or other health care providers, administrator of a health care facility or penal institution, laboratories, administrator or operator of a laboratory.	



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