641-1.6 (135,139A) Reporting poisonings and conditions.

1.6(1) Who is required to report.

a. Health care providers, hospitals, and clinical laboratories and other health care facilities are required to report cases of reportable poisonings and conditions. Health care providers are exempted from reporting blood lead testing if the laboratory performing the analysis provides the report containing the required information to the department.

b. School nurses are required to report suspected cases of a reportable poisoning or condition occurring among the children supervised.

c. School officials, through the principal or superintendent as appropriate, are required to report when there is no school nurse.

d. Poison control and poison information centers are required to report inquiries about cases of a reportable poisoning or condition received by them.

e. Medical examiners are required to report their investigatory findings of any death which was caused by or otherwise involved a reportable poisoning or condition.

f. Occupational nurses are required to report cases of reportable poisonings and conditions.

g. Hospitals, health care providers and clinical laboratories outside the state of Iowa shall immediately report any confirmed or suspected case of a reportable poisoning or condition in an Iowa resident.

1.6(2) *What to report.* Each report shall contain all of the following information:

- *a*. The patient's name.
- *b.* The patient's address.
- c. The patient's date of birth.
- *d*. The sex of the patient.
- e. The race and ethnicity of the patient.
- *f.* The patient's marital status.
- g. The patient's telephone number.
- *h*. The name and address of the laboratory.
- *i*. The collection date.
- *j*. The analytical result.
- *k*. In the case of blood lead testing, whether the sample is a capillary or venous blood sample.
- *l.* For conditions not identified by a laboratory analysis, the date that the condition was diagnosed.
- *m*. The name and address of the health care provider who performed the test.
- *n*. If the patient is female, whether the patient is pregnant.
- o. In the case of occupational conditions, the name of the patient's employer.

1.6(3) How to report.

a. Blood lead testing. All analytical results greater than or equal to 20 micrograms per deciliter $(\mu g/dL)$ in a child under the age of six years or a pregnant woman shall be reported to the department immediately by telephone at 1-800-972-2026. All other analytical results shall be reported to the department at least weekly in an electronic format specified by the department.

b. Each instance of carbon monoxide poisoning shall be reported to the department immediately by telephone at 1-800-972-2026.

c. Reportable poisonings and conditions other than blood lead testing and carbon monoxide poisoning shall be reported to the department in accordance with Appendix B.

d. Occupational nurses shall submit cases of occupationally related reportable poisonings or conditions on report forms provided by the department.

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