

8:44-2.11 Reporting by laboratory supervisors

(a) Laboratory supervisors shall:

1. Immediately report results of laboratory examinations of specimens of humans, animals, or birds indicating or suggesting the existence of communicable diseases to the Department of Health, to the physician or veterinarian submitting the specimen and, excepting results pertaining to venereal diseases, simultaneously forward a copy thereof to the health officer having jurisdiction where the patient is located;
2. Immediately report results of laboratory examinations of specimens of persons being considered for release from isolation or quarantine from any disease listed, whether said report be positive or negative, to the physician submitting the specimen and simultaneously forward a copy thereof to the health officer having jurisdiction where the patient is located;
3. Promptly report to the Department of Health the results of comparative and evaluation examinations made of specimens which may be sent to the laboratory by the Department.

(b) Laboratory supervisors shall report to the State Department of Health, within 48 hours of the completion of the analysis, the results of laboratory examinations for hazardous substances in blood and urine, as follows:

1. Lead:

- i. All blood lead test results;
- ii. Urine lead levels equal to or greater than 80 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ in individuals greater than 16 years of age.

2. Mercury:

- i. Blood mercury levels equal to or greater than 2.8 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$;
- ii. Urine mercury levels equal to or greater than 20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$.

3. Arsenic:

- i. Blood arsenic levels equal to or greater than .07 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$;
- ii. Urine arsenic levels equal to or greater than 100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$.

4. Cadmium:

- i. Blood cadmium levels equal to or greater than five $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ of whole blood;
- ii. Urine cadmium levels equal to or greater than three $\mu\text{g}/\text{gram creatinine}$.

(c) The reports required by (b) above shall contain the result of the laboratory examination, including units; the type of specimen tested; the sample number and date the sample was collected and analyzed; the name, address, telephone number, sex, and date of birth or age of the patient; if the patient is over 16 years old, the name, address, and telephone number of the employer; the patient's occupation; the name, address, telephone number, and name of the medical facility of the requesting physician; and the name, address, telephone number of testing laboratory

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