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## Part 1 Preliminary

### 1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Public Health Regulation 2005*.

### 2 Commencement

- (1) Parts 2 to 6 and 8, and schedules 1 to 3 commence on 1 December 2005.
- (2) Part 7 commences on 16 January 2006.

## Part 2 Notifiable conditions

### 3 Notifiable condition—Act, s 64(1), definition *notifiable condition*

For the definition *notifiable condition* in section 64(1) of the Act, the medical conditions mentioned in schedule 1, column 1 are notifiable conditions.

### 4 Clinical diagnosis notifiable condition—Act, s 62, definition *clinical diagnosis notifiable condition*

For paragraph (b) of the definition *clinical diagnosis notifiable condition* in section 62 of the Act, schedule 1, column 2 identifies which of the notifiable conditions mentioned in schedule 1, column 1 are clinical diagnosis notifiable conditions.

### 5 Pathological diagnosis notifiable condition—Act, s 62, definition *pathological diagnosis notifiable condition*

For paragraph (b) of the definition *pathological diagnosis notifiable condition* in section 62 of the Act, schedule 1, column 3 identifies which of the notifiable conditions

mentioned in schedule 1, column 1 are pathological diagnosis notifiable conditions.

**6 Pathology request notifiable condition—Act, s 62, definition *pathology request notifiable condition***

For the definition *pathology request notifiable condition* in section 62 of the Act, schedule 1, column 4 identifies which of the notifiable conditions mentioned in schedule 1, column 1 are pathology request notifiable conditions.

**7 Provisional diagnosis notifiable condition—Act, s 62, definition *provisional diagnosis notifiable condition***

For paragraph (b) of the definition *provisional diagnosis notifiable condition* in section 62 of the Act, schedule 1, column 5 identifies which of the notifiable conditions mentioned in schedule 1, column 1 are provisional diagnosis notifiable conditions.

**8 Controlled notifiable condition—Act, s 63(1), definition *controlled notifiable condition***

For the definition *controlled notifiable condition* in section 63(1) of the Act, schedule 1, column 6 identifies which of the notifiable conditions mentioned in schedule 1, column 1 are controlled notifiable conditions.

**9 Requirements for notice—Act, s 70(2)(a)**

For section 70(2)(a)<sup>1</sup> of the Act, the notice must be given by fax, email or other electronic means—

- (a) for a clinical diagnosis notifiable condition or provisional diagnosis notifiable condition mentioned in schedule 2—immediately after the examination; or
- (b) for a clinical diagnosis notifiable condition or provisional diagnosis notifiable condition not mentioned in schedule 2—within 48 hours after the examination.

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<sup>1</sup> Section 70 (When a doctor must notify) of the Act

**10 Requirements for notice—Act, s 71(2)(a)**

For section 71(2)(a)<sup>2</sup> of the Act, the notice must be given by fax, email or other electronic means—

- (a) for a clinical diagnosis notifiable condition or provisional diagnosis notifiable condition mentioned in schedule 2—immediately after the examination; or
- (b) for a clinical diagnosis notifiable condition or provisional diagnosis notifiable condition not mentioned in schedule 2—within 48 hours after the examination.

**11 Requirements for notice—Act, s 72(2)(a)**

For section 72(2)(a)<sup>3</sup> of the Act, the notice must be given by fax, email or other electronic means—

- (a) for a pathological diagnosis notifiable condition mentioned in schedule 2—immediately after the pathological examination; or
- (b) for a pathological diagnosis notifiable condition not mentioned in schedule 2—within 48 hours after the pathological examination.

**12 Requirements for notice—Act, s 73(2)(a)**

For section 73(2)(a)<sup>4</sup> of the Act, the notice must be given by fax, email or other electronic means—

- (a) for a pathology request notifiable condition mentioned in schedule 2—immediately after the receipt of the request; or
- (b) for a pathology request notifiable condition not mentioned in schedule 2—within 48 hours after the receipt of the request.

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2 Section 71 (When the person in charge of hospital must notify) of the Act

3 Section 72 (When the director of a pathology laboratory must notify a pathological diagnosis notifiable condition) of the Act

4 Section 73 (When the director of a pathology laboratory must notify pathology request notifiable condition) of the Act

## Part 3 Perinatal statistics

### 13 Notifications about perinatal statistics—Act, s 217

For section 217 of the Act, a notification must be given within 35 days after the day of the delivery.

## Part 4 Health information

### 14 Prescribed agreements—Act, s 226(1)(a)(i)(B)

Each agreement mentioned in schedule 3, part 1 is prescribed for section 226(1)(a)(i)(B)<sup>5</sup> of the Act.

## Part 5 Cancer notifications

### 15 Types of skin cancer and non-invasive carcinoma—Act, s 229, definition *cancer*

For paragraph (b) of the definition *cancer* in section 229 of the Act, the following types of skin cancer and non-invasive carcinoma are prescribed—

- (a) basal cell carcinoma of the skin;
- (b) squamous cell carcinoma of the skin;
- (c) benign neoplasm, other than a central nervous system or brain tumour.

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<sup>5</sup> Section 226 (Disclosure to Commonwealth, another State or Commonwealth or State entity) of the Act

**16 Notifications about cancer—Act, s 234(1)(b) and (3)**

- (1) For section 234(1)(b)<sup>6</sup> of the Act, a notification must be given within 30 days after the pathological examination.
- (2) For section 234(3) of the Act, a notification must be given within 30 days after the separation or cessation.

**17 Prescribed agreements—Act, s 244(1)(a)(i)(B)**

Each agreement mentioned in schedule 3, part 2 is prescribed for section 244(1)(a)(i)(B)<sup>7</sup> of the Act.

**Part 6 Pap smear register****18 Clinical information—Act, s 251, definition *clinical information***

- (1) For paragraph (b) of the definition *clinical information*, in section 251 of the Act, the following information about a woman is prescribed—
  - (a) the dates and results of any vaginal vault smear tests for the woman;
  - (b) whether a Pap smear, vaginal vault smear or histological sample was obtained from the woman;
  - (c) the provider details of the provider who performed the procedure to obtain the Pap smear, vaginal vault smear or histological sample;
  - (d) the number used by the pathology laboratory to identify the provider's request for the testing of the Pap smear, vaginal vault smear or histological sample;
  - (e) the code used by the pathology laboratory to identify the woman;

<sup>6</sup> Section 234 (Notifications about cancer to be given to chief executive) of the Act

<sup>7</sup> Section 244 (Disclosure to Commonwealth, another State or Commonwealth or State entity) of the Act

- (f) the accession code for the Pap smear, vaginal vault smear or histological sample;
  - (g) any recommendation code for the Pap smear test or vaginal vault smear test;
  - (h) the date the final result of the Pap smear test, vaginal vault smear test or histology test is given to the provider, whether or not preliminary results have also been given to the provider.
- (2) In this section—

**accession code**, for a Pap smear, vaginal vault smear or histological sample, means a code used by a pathology laboratory to identify the Pap smear, vaginal vault smear or histological sample.

**provider details**, of a provider, means—

- (a) if the provider is a medical practitioner—the provider's name, postal address and provider number; or
- (b) if the provider is not a medical practitioner—the provider's name and postal address.

**provider number**, of a provider, means the number that is allocated by the Health Insurance Commission to the provider under the *Health Insurance Act 1973* (Cwlth) and identifies the provider and the places where the provider practises his or her profession.

**recommendation code**, for a Pap smear test or vaginal vault smear test, means a code used by a pathology laboratory to identify any recommendation made to a provider after testing the Pap smear or vaginal vault smear.

**vaginal vault smear** means the cells scraped from the top of the vagina of a woman who has had her cervix removed, for detecting whether the woman has had a recurrence of squamous intraepithelial abnormalities of her vaginal vault.

**vaginal vault smear test** means the process for testing a vaginal vault smear, to detect the recurrence of squamous intraepithelial abnormalities of the vaginal vault.





**23 Omission of sch 2 (Notifiable and controlled notifiable diseases)**

Schedule 2—

*omit.*

## Schedule 1      Notifiable conditions

sections 3 to 8

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Notifiable condition	Clinical diagnosis notifiable condition	Pathological diagnosis notifiable condition	Pathology request notifiable condition	Provisional diagnosis notifiable condition	Controlled notifiable condition
acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS)	•				•
acute flaccid paralysis	•				
acute rheumatic fever	•				
acute viral hepatitis				•	
adverse event following vaccination	•				
anthrax		•	•		
arbovirus infections—		•			
• alphavirus infections, including Barmah Forest, getah, Ross River and sindbis viruses		•			
• bunyavirus infections, including gan gan, mapputta, termeil and trubanaman viruses		•			
• flavivirus infections, including alfuy, Edge Hill, Japanese encephalitis, kokobera, kunjin, Murray Valley encephalitis, Stratford and other unspecified flaviviruses (excluding dengue fever and yellow fever)		•	•		
• any other arbovirus infections (excluding dengue fever and yellow fever)		•			

## Schedule 1 (continued)

<b>Column 1</b>	<b>Column 2</b>	<b>Column 3</b>	<b>Column 4</b>	<b>Column 5</b>	<b>Column 6</b>
<b>Notifiable condition</b>	<b>Clinical diagnosis notifiable condition</b>	<b>Pathological diagnosis notifiable condition</b>	<b>Pathology request notifiable condition</b>	<b>Provisional diagnosis notifiable condition</b>	<b>Controlled notifiable condition</b>
atypical mycobacterial infection		•			
avian influenza		•	•	•	•
botulism (food-borne)		•	•		
botulism (intestinal - adult)		•	•		
botulism (intestinal - infantile)		•	•		
botulism (wound)		•			
brucellosis		•			
campylobacteriosis		•			
chancroid		•			
chlamydia trachomatis infection (anogenital)		•			
chlamydia trachomatis infection (non-anogenital)		•			
chlamydia trachomatis infection (lymphogranuloma venereum)		•			
cholera		•			•
ciguatera intoxication	•				
Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease	•	•		•	
cryptococcosis		•			
cryptosporidiosis		•			
dengue fever		•	•	•	
diphtheria		•		•	
donovanosis		•			

## Schedule 1 (continued)

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Notifiable condition	Clinical diagnosis notifiable condition	Pathological diagnosis notifiable condition	Pathology request notifiable condition	Provisional diagnosis notifiable condition	Controlled notifiable condition
echinococcosis (hydatid disease)		•			
equine morbillivirus (Hendra virus) infection		•	•		
food-borne or waterborne illness in 2 or more cases	•				
food-borne or waterborne illness in food handler	•				
gonococcal infection (anogenital)		•			
gonococcal infection (non-anogenital)		•			
haemolytic uraemic syndrome (HUS)	•	•		•	
haemophilus influenza type b infection (invasive)		•		•	
Hansen's disease (leprosy)		•			
hepatitis A		•			
hepatitis B (acute)		•			
hepatitis B (chronic)		•			
hepatitis B (not otherwise specified)		•			
hepatitis C		•			•
hepatitis D		•			
hepatitis E		•			
hepatitis (other)		•			
human immunodeficiency virus infection (HIV)		•			•

## Schedule 1 (continued)

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Notifiable condition	Clinical diagnosis notifiable condition	Pathological diagnosis notifiable condition	Pathology request notifiable condition	Provisional diagnosis notifiable condition	Controlled notifiable condition
influenza		•			•
invasive group A streptococcal infection		•			
lead exposure		•			
legionellosis		•			
leptospirosis		•			
listeriosis		•			
lyssavirus (Australian bat lyssavirus)		•	•		
lyssavirus (Australian bat lyssavirus), potential exposure	•				
lyssavirus (rabies)		•	•		•
lyssavirus (unspecified)		•	•		
malaria		•			
measles		•		•	
melioidosis		•			
meningococcal infection (invasive)		•		•	
mumps		•			
ornithosis (psittacosis)		•			
paratyphoid		•			•
pertussis	•	•			
plague		•	•		•
pneumococcal disease (invasive)		•			

## Schedule 1 (continued)

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Notifiable condition	Clinical diagnosis notifiable condition	Pathological diagnosis notifiable condition	Pathology request notifiable condition	Provisional diagnosis notifiable condition	Controlled notifiable condition
poliomyelitis - wild type and vaccine associated		•	•		
Q fever		•			
rotavirus infection		•			
rubella, including congenital rubella		•			
salmonellosis		•			
severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS)		•	•	•	•
shiga toxin and vero toxin producing <i>escherichia coli</i> infection SLTEC/VTEC		•			
shigellosis		•			
smallpox		•	•	•	•
syphilis, including congenital syphilis		•			•
tetanus	•	•			
tuberculosis		•			•
tularaemia		•	•		
typhoid		•			•
varicella - zoster virus infection (chickenpox)		•			
viral haemorrhagic fevers (Crimean-Congo, Ebola, Lassa fever and Marburg viruses)		•	•	•	•
yellow fever		•	•		•
yersiniosis		•			

## Schedule 2      Immediate notifications

sections 9 to 12

acute flaccid paralysis

anthrax

avian influenza

botulism (food-borne)

botulism (intestinal - adult)

botulism (intestinal - infantile)

cholera

ciguatera intoxication

dengue fever

equine morbillivirus (Hendra virus) infection

flavivirus infections, including alfuy, Edge Hill, Japanese encephalitis, kokobera, kunjin, Murray Valley encephalitis, Stratford and other unspecified flaviviruses (excluding dengue fever and yellow fever)

food-borne or waterborne illness in 2 or more cases

food-borne or waterborne illness in food handler

haemolytic uraemic syndrome (HUS)

hepatitis A

legionellosis

lyssavirus (Australian bat lyssavirus)

lyssavirus (Australian bat lyssavirus), potential exposure

lyssavirus (rabies)

measles

meningococcal infection (invasive)

paratyphoid

plague



**Schedule 2 (continued)**

poliomyelitis - wild type and vaccine associated

severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS)

smallpox

tularaemia

typhoid

viral haemorrhagic fevers (Crimean-Congo, Ebola, Lassa fever and Marburg viruses)

yellow fever

## **Schedule 3      Agreements**

sections 14 and 17

### **Part 1                      Health information**

National Health Information Agreement between the Health Authorities of the States and Territories of Australia, the Health Insurance Commission, the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare and the Commonwealth of Australia (2004 to 2009)

### **Part 2                      Cancer notifications**

National Health Information Agreement between the Health Authorities of the States and Territories of Australia, the Health Insurance Commission, the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare and the Commonwealth of Australia (2004 to 2009)

## ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 24 November 2005.
- 2 Notified in the gazette on 25 November 2005.
- 3 Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
- 4 The administering agency is the Department of Health.