## **DISEASE**REPORTING

## FOR SCHOOL NURSES & CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

Help control the spread of disease. Contact the Sedgwick County Health Department if you suspect or diagnose a disease listed below or if you notice an increase in or an unusual presentation of disease.

## YOU CAN...









- » Call the 24-hour hotline to report all diseases: 316-660-5555
  - > To report tuberculosis Mon-Fri 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.: 316-660-7450
  - > To report syphilis or HIV Mon-Fri 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.: 316-660-7369
- » Fax: 316-660-5550
- » E-mail: DiseaseReport@sedgwick.gov
- » Online: www.sedgwickcounty.org/health/report-a-disease/

These reportable diseases are most likely to be seen or heard about by school nurses and child care providers. They should be reported right away.

- » Measles (rubeola)
- » Meningococcal disease
- » Mumps
- » Pertussis (whooping cough)
- » Rubella
- » Tuberculosis
- » Varicella (chickenpox)

- » Outbreaks of disease (2 or more cases from separate households associated with a suspected common source)
  - Multiple children with severe diarrhea at the same time
  - A large increase in illness over the expected number for the time of year

These are other reportable diseases investigated by the Sedgwick County Health Department where you may be contacted as part of the investigation.

- » Foodborne Illness/Diarrhea
  - > Campylobacteriosis
  - > Hepatitis A
  - > Salmonellosis
  - > Shiga toxin-producing E. coli
  - > Shigellosis

- » Other
  - > Blood lead levels
  - > Haemophilus influenzae, invasive
  - > HIV and syphilis

Remember: Follow your exclusion policies for children who have diarrhea or flu-like symptoms.

There are many other diseases and conditions that may impact school nurses or childcare providers. You can find more information about these in the Kansas Classroom Handbook of Communicable Diseases (www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/Kansas\_Classroom\_Handbook\_of\_Communicable\_Diseases.pdf).



By law, Kansas medical providers, school administrators, and licensed child care providers must report diagnoses of specified infections, diseases, and conditions. Some conditions (e.g., uncommon illnesses of public health significance, animal bites, disease outbreaks) are rarely, if ever identified by labs. Public health depends on school nurses to report. Remember, HIPAA and FERPA do not prohibit you from reporting protected health information to public health authorities for the purpose of preventing or controlling disease. To see the entire list of reportable diseases, visit http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/KANSAS\_NOTIFIABLE\_DISEASE\_LIST.pdf. K.S.A. 65-118, 65-128, 65-6001 through 65-6007, K.A.R. 28-1-2, 28-1-4, and 28-1-18.