

Influenza Reporting Requirements for Health Care Providers

Please report the following to the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department by calling (253) 798-6534 or (253) 798-6410:

- Laboratory-confirmed influenza deaths in persons of all ages (within three days).
 - Lab confirmation includes rapid diagnostic tests for influenza, Direct (DFA) or Indirect (IFA) Fluorescent Fluorescent Antibody, viral culture, or RT- PCR.
 - Does not include serologic antibody tests.
- Patients suspected to be infected with a novel or unsubtypeable influenza virus (immediately).
- Outbreaks of influenza-like illness or laboratory positive influenza in an institutional setting (e.g., long term care facility) (immediately).

Individual cases of seasonal influenza are not reportable to the Health Department.