

Cerebrospinal Fluid Isolates

Revision Dates

Case Definition	December 2014
Reporting Requirements	July 2018

Case Definition

Confirmed Case

Laboratory evidence of an organism, not otherwise reportable to Alberta Health, isolated from cerebrospinal fluid collected from an individual who is not known to be HIV positive and who:

- has not sustained a penetrating or traumatic central nervous system injury
- OR**
- has not sustained a penetrating or traumatic vertebral column injury
- OR**
- does not have a central nervous system or vertebral column shunt.

Reporting Requirements

1. Laboratories

All laboratories shall report all positive laboratory results by mail, fax or electronic transfer within 48 hours (two business days) to the:

- Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) (or designate), and
- MOH (or designate) of the zone.

2. Alberta Health Services and First Nations and Inuit Health Branch

- Report outbreaks only using the Alberta Outbreak Report Form (AORF).
- Completion of a Notifiable Disease Report is not required.

Superseded