

# Cerebrospinal Fluid Isolates

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## Revision Dates

Case Definition	December 2014
Reporting Requirements	December 2014

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## 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.

Superseded

## Reporting Requirements

### 1. Laboratories

All laboratories, including regional laboratories and the Provincial Laboratory for Public Health (ProvLab) shall in accordance with Section 23 of the *Public Health Act*, report all positive laboratory results by mail, fax or electronic transfer within 48 hours (two days) to the:

- Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) (or designate),
- MOH (or designate) of the health zone and
- Attending/ordering physician.

### 2. Alberta Health Services and First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB)

Report outbreaks only using the Alberta Outbreak Report Form (AORF). **Completion of an NDR is not required.**

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