
10. HEALTH and MEDICAL CARE

10.6. Communicable Disease Reporting

122. Checklist Reference

**LEGISLATIVE
REFERENCES****27(2), (3)*****HEALTH
PROTECTION and
PROMOTION ACT,
R.S.O., 1990***

Definition, Part IV, 21(1) In this Part, “Institution” means,

(d) “day nursery” within the meaning of the *Day Nurseries Act*.

Section 27(2) The superintendent of an institution shall report to the medical officer of health of the health unit in which the institution is located if an entry in the records of the institution in respect of a person lodged in the institution states that the person has or may have a reportable disease or is or may be infected with an agent of a communicable disease.

Section 27(3) The administrator or the superintendent shall report to the medical officer of health as soon as possible after the entry is made in the records of the hospital or institution, as the case may be.

INTENT

The intent of this section of the Act is to help prevent the transmission of communicable disease.

INDICATORS**Indicator Type:** Documentation

1. A sample number of records of any child(ren) show that when an enrolled child has or may have a reportable disease or is or may be infected with a communicable disease, these symptoms are recorded as soon as possible.
2. A review of the daily written record confirms that when an enrolled child has or may have a reportable disease or is or may be infected with a communicable disease, the date the significant health event was reported to the local medical officer of health is recorded.
3. A review of the daily written record confirms that any recommendations made by the local medical officer of health with regard to the reporting of a communicable disease are recorded.

**INDICATORS
(cont'd)**

4. A copy of any report made by the local medical officer of health is on file.

Indicator Type: Interview

1. The operator states that if an enrolled child has or may have a reportable disease or is or may be infected with a communicable disease, this is reported to the medical officer of health as soon as possible.
2. The operator states that any recommendations or instructions from the medical officer of health are carried out.
3. The operator confirms whether the medical officer of health has issued any public health orders.

**SPECIAL
INSTRUCTIONS**

The *Health Promotion and Protection Act* requires a day nursery operator to report to the local medical officer of health when an enrolled child may have a reportable disease or may be infected with a communicable disease. The *Day Nurseries Act* requires operators to carry out any recommendations or instructions from the local medical officer of health.

For additional information about the *Health Promotion and Protection Act*, contact the Ministry of Health Promotion at <http://www.mhp.gov.on.ca>.