

Chapter 246-101 WAC Notifiable Conditions-- Recommended Changes

State Board of Health and Department of Health staff recommend the following changes for the proposed Notifiable Conditions rule. This document identifies the location of the amendment by page number and the edit as it would appear in the rule text in red.

Technical or Clarifying Changes:

I. Page 3

Revise definition of “health care-associated infection” as follows:

(13) “Health care-associated infection” means a localized or systemic condition that results from adverse reaction to the presence of an infectious agent or its toxins and that was not present or incubating at the time of admission to the ~~hospital~~ health care facility.

II. Page 17

Change the spelling of “amoebic meningitis” to reflect American English spelling consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

<u>Notifiable Condition (Agent)</u>	<u>Laboratory Confirmation Required Before Submitting Case Report</u>	<u>Time Frame for Notification from Identification of a Case</u>	<u>Who Must Be Notified</u>	<u>Who Must Report: Health Care Providers (Providers) or Health Care Facilities (Facilities)</u>
<u>Amoebic Amebic meningitis</u>		<u>Immediately</u>	<u>LHJ</u>	<u>Both</u>

III. Page 32

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<u>Agent (Condition)</u>	<u>Notification of Results</u>		<u>Specimen Submission to the Washington State Public Health Laboratories</u>	
	<u>What to Submit in a Laboratory Report</u>	<u>When and Whom to Notify Upon Receiving Presumptive or Final Test Result</u>	<u>What to Submit</u>	<u>When to Submit</u>
<u>Amoebic Amebic meningitis</u>	<u>Positive result by any method</u>	<u>Immediately to LHJ</u>	<u>Specimen associated with positive result, if available</u>	<u>Within 2 business days</u>