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Reporting Adverse Events Following Immunization in Manitoba

Reporting requirements in Manitoba

- In accordance with the Manitoba Public Health Act health care providers are to **report AEFI with 7 days of becoming aware** of a reportable event. (Section 5 of the Public Health Act)
- Practitioners are requested to **report serious AEFI (Criteria 1 below) within one business day** to Manitoba Health through the Regional Medical Officer of Health (MOH) by telephone / email.

What is reportable adverse event following immunization (AEFI)?

According to the Manitoba Public Health Regulations a reportable AEFI is an event that…

1. Is **temporally associated** with an immunizing agent,

2. **Cannot be attributed** to a co-existing condition, AND **meets at least one** of the following criteria:

   Criteria 1 - The event is life-threatening, could result in permanent disability, requires hospitalization or urgent medical attention, or for any other reason is considered to be of a serious nature;

   Criteria 2 - The event is unusual or unexpected, including, without limitation, an event that has not been previously identified, or an event that has been previously identified but is being reported at an increased frequency;

   Criteria 3 – At **the** time of the report there is nothing in the patient's medical history — such as a recent disease or illness, or the taking of medication — that could explain the event.

Reporting Form

Report of an Adverse Event Following Immunization (AEFI) forms are available at the Manitoba Health Website http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/docs/aefi_form.pdf

Submit completed reports to the regional Medical Officers of Health listed on Appendix A of the *Report of an Adverse Event Following Immunization.*