

Why report communicable diseases?

Benefits the patient

- Helps to assure compliance with medical therapy
- Provides health education and resources to patient(s) and contacts

Benefits the provider

- Helps to assure patient compliance with prescribed regimens
- Assists the provider to educate the patient(s) and contacts
- Helps decrease repeat visits for patients

Benefits the community

- Prevents the spread of disease through case investigation
- Provides reliable information for surveillance
- Helps identify trends in disease
- Helps identify demographic and geographic trends
- Assists in rapid identification of health threats
- Acts as an early warning system of the spread of disease
- Aids in the determination of public health priorities



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