

Reportable Condition Reporting Guidance



Division of
HIV, STD &
Viral Hepatitis

Condition Name:

Congenital Syphilis

Condition Name in NBS:

Syphilis, congenital

Reporting Timeframe:

Within One Working Day

TO REPORT:

NBS users: Report conditions via Morbidity Report in [NBS](#)

Non-NBS users: Report using,

- [REDCap Form](#) -OR-
- Fax a communicable disease [form](#)

Associated Reportable Laboratory Results

- Darkfield microscopy of lesions, body fluids, or neonatal nasal discharge
- Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) or other equivalent direct molecular methods of lesions, neonatal nasal discharge, placenta, umbilical cord, or autopsy material
- Immunohistochemistry (IHC), or special stains (e.g., silver staining) of specimens from lesions, placenta, umbilical cord, or autopsy material.
- Non-treponemal test for syphilis (Venereal Disease Research Laboratory [VDRL], rapid plasma reagin [RPR], or equivalent serologic methods)

Condition Specific Reporting Details

- Within the NBS Morbidity Report:
 - Patient information (**as much as possible**)
 - Facility/Provider and Clinical information
 - *Skip this section: Epidemiological information*
 - Lab Report and Treatment information

Additional Documentation to Include

- **Required:** Add medical record notes as attachments, especially those including:
- Results from infectious disease or microbiology, CSF studies, hematology, chemistries, or radiology.
- Provider notes sections, including: History and Physical, discharge summary, and progress notes.

For more information on congenital syphilis please visit:

<https://ndc.services.cdc.gov/case-definitions/congenital-syphilis-2015/>

For more information on reportable conditions:

<https://www.in.gov/health/erc/infectious-disease-epidemiology/infectious-disease-epidemiology/communicable-disease-reporting/>



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