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2018 Annual Morbidity Report on Reportable Conditions

Summary

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) recently published the [2018 South Carolina Annual Morbidity Report on Reportable Conditions](#), which includes important information about potentially preventable diseases and conditions. Data in the report reflect diseases and conditions acquired by S.C. residents only, including diseases and conditions contracted while traveling outside the state.

Background

The South Carolina Annual Morbidity Report on Reportable Conditions, presented by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) Division of Acute Disease Epidemiology, provides an overview and graphs displaying summary data for diseases or conditions that are reportable by law in South Carolina (State Laws #44-29-10, #44-1-110, #44-1-140, and #44-53-1380; Regulation #61-20). By tracking diseases that cause significant injury, complications, or death, public health officials can help control and prevent the spread of diseases.

Contents

The annual report on reportable conditions includes:

- Overviews of diseases as well as graphs and tables displaying summary data for diseases or conditions.
- Statewide and county level data on frequent and infrequent conditions reported to DHEC.
 - Frequent conditions are those that had reports of 21 cases or more over the course of the year. In 2018, frequent conditions included such things as cyclosporiasis, listeriosis, mumps, meningococcal disease, and mosquito-borne viral conditions.
 - Infrequent conditions are those with a total of four to 20 cases reported during the year. In 2018, infrequent conditions included, among others, listeriosis, mumps, and mosquito-

borne viral conditions (such as West Nile virus, malaria, chikungunya, dengue, Eastern Equine Encephalitis, La Crosse encephalitis, Saint Louis encephalitis, Zika, and yellow fever infections).

- Summaries of several outbreaks that occurred during 2018, including one involving measles in the Upstate and another one involving salmonella in Beaufort.

To review or download the [2018 report](#), visit the [DHEC website](#).

Questions or comments regarding the South Carolina Annual Morbidity Report on Reportable Conditions may be directed to the DHEC Division of Acute Disease Epidemiology at (803) 898-0861.

DHEC contact information for reportable diseases and reporting requirements

Reporting of conditions present on the DHEC List of Reportable Conditions is consistent with South Carolina Law requiring the reporting of diseases and conditions to your state or local public health department. (State Law # 44-29-10 and Regulation # 61-20). These conditions are available at DHEC 2019 List of Reportable Conditions available at: <https://www.scdhec.gov/sites/default/files/Library/CR-009025.pdf>

Federal HIPAA legislation allows disclosure of protected health information, without consent of the individual, to public health authorities to collect and receive such information for the purpose of preventing or controlling disease. (HIPAA 45 CFR §164.512).

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