June 6, 2002

ATTN: Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices
Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators
Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

Re: Procedure for Reporting of Transfusion Transmissible Infection (TTI)

Transfusion transmissible infections were made reportable in BC in 2000, under Schedule A of the Communicable Disease Regulation. A document has been prepared which outlines the procedure for reporting of TTI.


Please note that this document will also be posted on BCCDC’s web site in the Communicable Disease (CD) Control Manual - Communicable Disease Control Section

The Table of Contents for the CDC Manual has been revised. Please delete and remove the following from the CDC Manual:

Table of Contents Dated October 1998

Insert the following in the CDC Manual:

Table of Contents Dated May 2002
If you have any questions or concerns, please call Dr. Mark Bigham at (604) 660-6061.

Sincerely,

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Communicable Disease (CD) Control Manual

The Ministry of Health Services Communicable Disease Control Manual is comprised of two sections:

1. The Communicable Disease Control section outlines disease control measures and outbreak management.
2. The Immunization Program Manual section provides guidelines for the provision of immunization services.

More specifically, these guidelines pertain to:
- clinical nursing practice
- accurate immunization record-keeping
- compilation of immunization coverage data
- maintenance of vaccine potency and reduction of vaccine wastage
- management and reporting of adverse events, including anaphylaxis

These guidelines have been developed primarily for use by public health authorities. Please contact your local health unit if you have any questions relating to these guidelines. These guidelines are PDF Documents.

Communicable Disease Control Section:

The Communicable Disease Control Section is written by Epidemiology Services, BC Centre for Disease Control for use by all vaccine providers in the province. Its content represents the most up-to-date information available on the date noted on each page.

Revisions to this section are ongoing. It is the responsibility of the user to ensure that they are most up-to-date. This can be accomplished by checking the on-line Administrative Circulars listing.

- Blood and Body Fluid Exposure Management
- Rabies
- Transfusion Transmissible Infection
- Pertussis
  - Pertussis Case Follow-Up Form
  - Pertussis Contact Management Form
  - Pertussis Exposure Prescription Forms
"Recommended Preventive Treatment of Contacts to Cases of Pertussis

- Hepatitis A Control

Immunization Manual:

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Revisions to the manual are ongoing, and will most often be done by section. It is the responsibility of Immunization Manual users to ensure that they are consulting the most up-to-date version of a section. This can be accomplished by checking the on-line Administrative Circulars listing. These Administrative Circulars will outline the most recent revisions made to the Immunization Manual.

- Title Sheet
- Table of Contents
- Section 1 - Introduction
- Section 2 - Immunization Schedules
- Section 3 - Contraindications and Precautions for Immunization
- Section 4 - Vaccine Administration
- Section 5 - Anaphylaxis
- Section 6 - Management of Biologicals
- Section 7 - Biological Products
- Section 8 - Principles of Immunology
- Section 9 - Vaccine Associated Adverse Events
- Section 10 - Appendices

Infection Control Guidelines:

- Guidelines for the Control of Antibiotic Resistant Organisms
- Managing Outbreaks of Gastroenteritis in Residential Care Facilities