



BC Centre for Disease Control
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H219 - Notification of Contact to Sexually Transmitted Infection

Health 219 - Notification of Contact to Sexually Transmitted Infection forms (H219) are used when a named contact to a reportable STI does not live in the same health service delivery area (HSDA) as the index case.

The H219 is initiated by public health/communicable disease in the HSDA of the index case, and is ultimately sent to the jurisdiction in which the contact lives for further notification and follow up.

If the contact lives outside of the index’s HSDA but within the same health authority, the H219 can be sent directly to the public health/communicable disease unit responsible for the community in which the contact lives.

If the contact lives in a different health authority in BC, the H219 can go directly to that health authority. If however the contact lives within jurisdictions that BCCDC follows (Vancouver Coastal, Fraser), BCCDC will complete the contact and notification process.

If the contact lives outside of BC, but within North America, the H219 can be sent to Clinical Prevention Services (STI/HIV) at BCCDC who will forward the notification to the appropriate public health jurisdiction.

By sending a H219 form, you are transferring responsibility for follow-up of the contact to the responsible health authority in BC or to an out of province public health ministry.

	Where to send H219		
If contact lives...	Different HSDA but same Health Authority	Different Health Authority in BC	Outside BC, but within North America
Send H219 to...	Public Health/Communicable Disease Unit where the contact resides	The Health Authority where the contact resides, unless it is a jurisdiction followed by BCCDC	BCCDC

Please identify the originating HSDA on the H219 form to ensure that any follow up information is returned (if requested).

H225 - Request for follow up of Sexually Transmitted Infection - Index

The Health 225- Request for follow up of Sexually Transmitted Infection - Index form (H225) is used to communicate information about an index case who has tested positive for a reportable STI in your jurisdiction, but they reside in a region outside of your jurisdiction (eg. BCCDC may receive a H208 form regarding a client that tested positive for gonorrhoea or chlamydia at a Vancouver walk in clinic, yet the client has a Victoria phone # and address. If the H208 indicates the testing provider has not been able to reach the index case, BCCDC will make attempts to reach the client and will create a H225 if they are unsuccessful).

By sending the H225 form you are transferring responsibility to the responsible health authority or out of province public health ministry for follow-up care of the index case which includes; informing/treating the index and completing partner notification as necessary.

	Where to send H225		
If index lives...	Different HSDA but same Health Authority where they tested	Different Health Authority in BC from where they tested	Outside BC, but within North America
Send H225 to...	Follow HA specific guidelines	The Health Authority where the index resides if testing Health Authority unsuccessful in f/u with client. If index resides in Vancouver Coastal or Fraser Health, the H225 form can be sent to BCCDC	BCCDC

NB: If the index case is HIV positive, and would prefer f/u where they reside as opposed to where they have tested, then care can be transferred to the appropriate health authority. Please identify the originating HSDA on the H225 form to ensure that any follow up information is returned (if requested).

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