

MHSAL Surveillance Unit: PHIMS Update October 24, 2019

As PHIMS continues to evolve, processes in MHSAL SU adapt. This communication provides an overview of the most recent changes that have occurred. Specific questions should be addressed directly to Carla Loepky, Director of Epidemiology and Surveillance (carla.loepky@gov.mb.ca)

New this issue:

1. PHIMS Configuration Changes Corresponding with Forms
2. Further Guidance on Congenital Syphilis in PHIMS
3. User Guide Updates





This symbol represents the actions that MHSU has taken



This symbol represents the actions for consideration by external users

Detailed overview:

PHIMS Configuration Changes Corresponding with Forms					
	Form	Weblink	Symptoms	Risk factors	Stage
	Congenital Syphilis	https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/surveillance/docs/mhsu_2667.pdf	x	x	
	West Nile Virus	https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/wnv/docs/mhsu_9684.pdf	x	x	
	General Communicable Disease	https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/surveillance/docs/mhsu_2667.pdf	x	x	
	Vaccine Preventable Disease	https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/surveillance/docs/mhsu_8733.pdf			x
	Hepatitis B and C, HIV, and Syphilis	https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/surveillance/docs/mhsu_6780.pdf		x	x
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Configuration has been updated in PHIMS to correspond to the updated forms. Review forms and associated instructions/user guides and ensure the new symptoms, risk factor, and staging data is being added for new cases. 				
Further Guidance on Congenital Syphilis in PHIMS					
	Additional instructions on entry of congenital syphilis investigations and creation of exposure link from mother to child are documented in the congenital syphilis investigation form instructions (see p. 3).				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review both form and instructions to ensure the transmission event from the mother to the infant is created appropriately. 				
User Guide Updates					

	<p>Updated Sections of “User Guide for Completion of Surveillance Forms for Reportable Diseases”:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MHSU Processes (p. 5) • Investigation Disposition- Instructions on Use (p. 12-13) • Responsible Organization (p. 13) • Infection (p. 14-15) • Organization (p. 21) • Appendix A (Form Names updated for Diseases Using Vaccine Preventable Disease Investigation Form)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review General User Guide and elect to use it as your Gold Standard. Please communicate back to MHSU with questions for clarification. The User Guide will continue to be updated as required. • https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/surveillance/docs/mhsu_ug.pdf

Resources:

MHSAL Surveillance Forms: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/surveillance/forms.html>

MHSAL Disease Protocols: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/protocol/index.html>

PHIMS: <https://phimsmb.ca/>