

**Summary of Changes in the Texas Administrative Code
Regarding Notifiable Conditions and School Exclusion Criteria
Effective May 20, 2014**

Newly reportable:

The amendments to §97.1, §97.3, and §97.4 add the reporting of Carbapenem resistant *Enterobacteriaceae* (CRE) and the reporting of Multi-drug Resistant (MDR) *Acinetobacter* as immediately notifiable conditions.

Renamed/Expanded:

The amendments to §97.3 and §97.4 remove references to severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) and replace them with the reporting of novel coronavirus causing severe acute respiratory disease because it is a broader category/definition that includes SARS.

Changes to school exclusion requirements:

The amendment to §97.7 updates exclusion criteria from a school for a student who has or is suspected of having a communicable condition, so that bacterial meningitis and meningococcal infections (*Neisseria meningitidis* meningitis and bacteremia) are handled in a similar fashion.