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DISEASE INVESTIGATION TOOLS

- The Emerging and Acute Infectious Disease Guidelines:
<http://www.dshs.texas.gov/IDCU/investigation/Investigation-Guidance.xls>
or
<http://www.dshs.texas.gov/IDCU/investigation/Guidance-Manuals.xls>
- The Epi Case Criteria Guide:
<http://www.dshs.texas.gov/IDCU/investigation/Guidance-Manuals.xls>
- NBS (NEDSS) Data Entry Guidelines:
<https://txnedss.dshs.state.tx.us:8009/PHINDox/UserResources/>
- DSHS Reporting Forms: www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/investigation/forms/
- Investigation Forms and tools: www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/investigation/
- Notifiable Conditions List:
<http://www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/investigation/conditions/>
- Hep A toolkit:
http://www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/disease/hepatitis/hepatitis_a/links/
- Measles toolkit:
<http://www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/disease/measles/links/>
- Pertussis toolkit:
<http://www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/disease/pertussis/links/>
- Laboratory Submission Guide: www.dshs.texas.gov/lab/MRS_labtests_toc.shtm
- Council to Improve Foodborne Outbreak Response (CIFOR) Guidelines:
<http://cifor.us/products/guidelines>
- CDC Legionellosis Hypothesis- Generating Questionnaire:
www.cdc.gov/legionella/health-depts/inv-tools-single/index.html
- CDC *Legionella* Environmental Assessment Form:
<http://www.cdc.gov/legionella/health-depts/inv-tools-cluster/environmental-inv-tools.html>
- Texas Influenza Surveillance Handbook:
www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/disease/influenza/Texas-Influenza-Surveillance-Handbook/
- Vaccine Information Sheets:
<http://www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/literature/litlist.shtm>
- A Primer for Lone Ranger Epidemiologists in Texas Counties
<http://www.dshs.texas.gov/IDCU/investigation/Guidance-Manuals.xls>

- Communicable Disease Chart and Notes for Schools and Child-Care Centers (i.e., School Exclusion chart)
 - Copies can be ordered at <https://secure.immunizetexasorderform.com/default.asp>
- Texas Food Establishment Rules (TFER)_ <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/foodestablishments/laws-rules.aspx>

HELPFUL DSHS WEBSITES

- Main Agency Website: www.dshs.texas.gov/
- Emerging and Acute Infectious Disease Branch: www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/health/ideas/
- State and county level data by condition can be found on the EAIDU website www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/Data/Annual/
- Foodborne Illness Main Page: http://www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/health/foodborne_illness/
- Food Establishments Group, Rules and Regulations: <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/foodestablishments/laws-rules.aspx>
- Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program: <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/perinatal-hepatitis-B/>
- Immunization Unit: <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/>
- Infectious Disease Control Unit: <http://www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/>
- Laboratory Services Section Main Page: <http://www.dshs.texas.gov/lab/>
- Recommended Immunization Schedules: <http://www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/schedule/default.shtm>
- School & Child-Care Facility Immunization Requirements: <http://www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/school/default.shtm>
- Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Title 25 Health Services, §§97.1-97.14: [http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=25&pt=1&ch=97](http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=25&pt=1&ch=97)
- Texas Flu Home: <http://www.dshs.texas.gov/flu/>
- Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS): www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/safety/vaersweb.shtm

- Vaccine Preventable Diseases Main Page: www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/health/vaccine_preventable_diseases/
- Antibiotic-Resistance / MDRO Main Page: http://www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/health/antibiotic_resistance/

HELPFUL CDC WEBSITES

- CDC Vaccine Preventable Diseases: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd/>
- Manual for the Surveillance of Vaccine Preventable Diseases: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/surv-manual/index.html
- Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR): www.cdc.gov/mmwr/
- Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine Preventable Disease (Pink Book): www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/index.html
- Epidemiology & Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases 2012 (EpiVac) Web-On-Demand Modules: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/webinar-epv/index.html>
- Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) Influenza Prevention and Control Recommendations: www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/acip/index.htm
- Foodborne Outbreaks: <http://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/outbreaks/>
- Food Safety: <http://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/>
- National Outbreak Reporting System (NORS) <http://www.cdc.gov/nors/>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention *Streptococcus pneumoniae* information: <http://www.cdc.gov/pneumococcal/about/index.html>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention group A *Streptococcus* information: <http://www.cdc.gov/groupastrep/index.html>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention group B *Streptococcus* information: <http://www.cdc.gov/groupbstrep/index.html>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Antibiotic/ Antimicrobial Resistance: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/about.html>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Drug Resistance Threat Report 2013: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/threat-report-2013/pdf/ar-threats-2013-508.pdf>

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – CRE Toolkit updated 2015: <https://www.cdc.gov/hai/organisms/cre/cre-toolkit/>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Surveillance Reporting for Enrolled Facilities <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/enrolled-facilities/index.html>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention MDRO and CDI module 2017_ https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/pscmanual/12pscmdro_cdadcurrent.pdf
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) 2007 Guideline for Isolation Precautions_ https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/2007IP/2007ip_appendA.html
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Ebola (Ebola Virus Disease) information: <http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Viral Hemorrhagic Fevers (VHFs) information: <http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/virus-families/index.html>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Neglected Tropical Disease information: <http://www.cdc.gov/globalhealth/ntd/>
- Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists Revised Guidelines for Determining Residency for Disease Notification Purposes <http://www.cdc.gov/nndss/document/11-SI-04.pdf>

ADDITIONAL LINKS AND RESOURCES

- Control of Communicable Diseases Manual (20th Edition). Heymann, D.L. (Ed). American Public Health Association: Washington; 2015. www.unboundmedicine.com/ccdm/ub (A subscription is required for full online access. If you are in need of a printed book copy, please contact DSHS IDCU.)
- Red Book: 2015 Report of the Committee on Infectious Diseases (30th Edition). Kimberlin DW, Long SS, Brady MT, Jackson MA (Eds). American Academy of Pediatrics: Elk Grove Village, IL; 2015. aapredbook.aappublications.org/ (A subscription is required for full online access. DSHS employees can access this through the DSHS Library.)
- FDA Bad Bug Book; Handbook of Foodborne Pathogenic Microorganisms and Natural Toxins: <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/food/foodborneillnesscontaminants/ucm297627.pdf>
- FDA Recalls of Food & Dietary Supplements: <http://www.fda.gov/food/recallsoutbreaksemergencies/recalls/default.htm>
- Hepatitis B Foundation: www.hepb.org/
- Immunization Action Coalition: www.immunize.org/

- Viral Hepatitis Serology Training Online:
www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/Resources/Professionals/Training/Serology/training.htm
- Prevention of Invasive Group A Streptococcal Disease among Household Contacts of Case Patients and among Postpartum and Postsurgical Patients: Recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:
<http://cid.oxfordjournals.org/content/35/8/950.long>
- American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, Inc. (ASHRAE) guidance for legionellosis:
 - ASHRAE Standard 12-2000: “Minimizing the Risk of Legionellosis Associated with Building Water Systems”:
<https://www.baltimoreaircoil.com/english/ashrae12>
 - ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 188-2015: “Legionellosis: Risk Management for Building Water Systems”: <https://www.ashrae.org/resources--publications/bookstore/ansi-ashrae-standard-188-2015-legionellosis-risk-management-for-building-water-systems>
- Texas Food Safety and Defense Task Force
<https://tx.foodprotectiontaskforce.com/>
- Texas Legionellosis Task Force Guidance:
www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/disease/legionnaires/taskforce/
- Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology
<http://www.cbic.org/>
- Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology
<http://www.apic.org/>
- Association for Professions in Infection control and Epidemiology – Guide to the Elimination of Multidrug resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* transmission in Healthcare Settings http://www.apic.org/Resource_/EliminationGuideForm/b8b0b11f-1808-4615-890b-f652d116ba56/File/APIC-AB-Guide.pdf