

Infectious Diseases (Notification of Infectious Diseases) Regulations 2004

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INFECTIOUS DISEASES ACT (CHAPTER 137)

INFECTIOUS DISEASES (NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES) REGULATIONS 2004

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 73(1) of the Infectious Diseases Act, Mr Khaw Boon Wan, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Finance, charged with the responsibility of the Minister for Health, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Infectious Diseases (Notification of

Infectious Diseases) Regulations 2004 and shall come into operation on 15th April 2004.

Form of notification

2. The form of notification of an infectious disease to be given under section 6 of the Act shall be in the form in the First Schedule.

Person to be notified

3. For the purposes of section 6 of the Act, notification of an infectious disease shall be treated as having been given to the Director if the notification is given —

- (a) in the case of an infectious disease referred to in Part I or II of the Second Schedule, to the Deputy Director of Medical Services of the Epidemiology and Disease Control Division, Ministry of Health;
- (b) in the case of an infectious disease referred to in Part III of the Second Schedule, to the Head of the Department of Clinical Epidemiology, Communicable Disease Centre; and
- (c) in the case of an infectious disease referred to in Part IV of the Second Schedule, to the Head of the Department of Sexually Transmitted Infections Control Clinic.

Time and manner of notification

4. Unless the Director otherwise allows —

- (a) notification of an infectious disease shall be given —
 - (i) in the case of an infectious disease referred to in Part I of the Second Schedule, not later than 24 hours from the time of diagnosis of such disease; and
 - (ii) in the case of an infectious disease referred to in Part II, III or IV of the Second Schedule, not later than 72 hours from the time of diagnosis of such disease; and
- (b) such notification shall be given by facsimile transmission or through an electronic notification system set up for such notification.

Revocation

5. The Infectious Diseases (Notification of Infectious Diseases) Regulations (Rg 4) are revoked.