



ABCs Case Notification Form

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Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I.: _____

State ID: MD _____ Date of Birth: ___/___/_____ Patient Chart #: _____

County of Residence: _____ Hospital Name: _____

Patient Address: _____

Primary Care Physician: _____ Phone #: _____

CULTURE INFORMATION:

Date of first positive culture: ___/___/_____

Bacterial species isolated:

Haemophilus influenzae

Group A *Streptococcus (S. pyogenes)*

Group B *Streptococcus (S. agalactiae)*

Listeria monocytogenes

Neisseria meningitidis

Streptococcus pneumoniae

Other bacterial species isolated: _____

Hospital Lab Accession #: _____

SITES FROM WHICH ORGANISM ISOLATED:
(Check all that apply)

Always considered sterile sites:

Blood

Bone

CSF

Joint (Synovial Fluid)

Pericardial Fluid

Peritoneal Fluid

Pleural Fluid

Muscle* (for Group A Strep)

Internal Body Site*

Other normally sterile site*: _____

Potential Exceptions to sterile site requirement:
(refer to notes below)

Wound*

Placenta*

Amniotic Fluid*

Person Reporting Case: _____ Date of Report: ___/___/_____

***Notes on Body Sites**

* *Internal Body Site*: Specimen obtained from surgery or aspirate from one of the following: lymph node, brain, heart, liver, spleen, vitreous fluid, kidney, pancreas, ovary, or vascular tissue. An abscess specimen obtained from other normally sterile sites is also counted as a surveillance case.

* *Muscle*: Includes tissue or biopsy that is surgically obtained **for Group A Streptococcus only**.

* Specimens from skin infections such as skin abscesses, boils or furuncles or specimens from middle ear, amniotic fluid, placenta, sinus, wound, lung, gallbladder, appendix, cornea, cord blood, or throat are not considered sterile sites for any ABCs organism and should not be indicated as the only specimen from which the pathogen was isolated. Two exceptions to this rule are listed below:

-**GBS placental isolates associated with fetal demise**: If Group B *Streptococcus* is isolated from the **placenta and/or amniotic fluid ONLY** and fetal death occurs, it is considered a case for this surveillance system and should be reported to ABCs.

-If Group A *Streptococcus* is isolated from a **wound culture** (e.g., incision) and is accompanied by necrotizing fasciitis or Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome (STSS), it is considered a case for this surveillance system and should be reported to ABCs.

--- To report a case ---

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