Reporting HIV in Wisconsin

In Wisconsin, confirmed or suspected cases of HIV must be reported to the state epidemiologist within 72 hours after identification. Laboratory reporting is required for all positive HIV test results or tests indicative of HIV, including results of CD4 count or viral load monitoring for persons living with diagnosed HIV. For additional information about HIV and related resources for clinicians, visit the Wisconsin HIV Program website at [www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/aids-hiv/](http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/aids-hiv/).

**What is reportable in Wisconsin?**

- Confirmed positive results of any HIV diagnostic test, including antibody tests, antigen tests, and quantitative or qualitative nucleic acid amplification tests.
- A positive result or report of a detectable quantity on any other HIV detection (non-antibody) tests and results of all viral loads, including non-detectable levels.
- Diagnosis of HIV stage 3 (AIDS) and stage 3-defining conditions, including all CD4+ T-lymphocyte counts.
- Birth of an infant to a mother living with HIV or any result of a non-antibody detection test (antigen test, viral culture, viral load, or qualitative PCR detection test) on an infant less than or equal to 18 months of age. These are tests indicative of perinatal exposures and are reportable as suspected cases of HIV. Negative antibody tests (EIA, immunofluorescence, or Western blot) are not reportable.
- Death of a person diagnosed with HIV.
- While not required, reporting of new pregnancies among women known to be living with HIV is encouraged.

**Who should report and how?**

- **Laboratories**—submit laboratory results electronically or by mail.
- **Clinicians, health care providers, and hospitals**—submit a case report form by mail, telephone, or secure fax. Due to confidentiality and security requirements, the completed case form cannot be submitted by email.
- **Report within 72 hours after identification:**
  - New HIV diagnoses
  - New HIV stage 3 (AIDS) diagnoses
  - New patients with HIV or HIV stage 3 (AIDS) diagnoses, regardless of whether they are newly diagnosed
  - Infants or children born to women living with HIV
  - Deaths of persons with diagnosed HIV infections

**Need reporting forms? Want to report by phone? Have questions?**

- The form for reporting HIV in persons 13 years of age or older at the time of diagnosis can be downloaded from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website at [www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/F4/F44338.doc](http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/F4/F44338.doc).
- For questions or additional information regarding HIV case surveillance and reporting, contact the HIV surveillance coordinator at 608-266-2664 or email dhshivsurveillance@dhs.wisconsin.gov.