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NEW Reporting Requirements for Veterinarians

As of January 1, 2018, amendments to *O. Reg. 557, Communicable Diseases – General* under the *Health Protection and Promotion Act* came into force, which now **require veterinarians, and directors of veterinary laboratories to report** the following animal cases to their local public health unit:

- **Suspect and confirmed cases of avian chlamydiosis**
- **Suspect and confirmed cases of avian influenza**
- **Suspect and confirmed cases of novel influenza in mammals** (defined as any influenza virus not already known to be endemically circulating in Ontario's animal species)
- **Suspect and confirmed cases of *Echinococcus multilocularis* infection**

During regular business hours and/or outside regular business hours, please report animal cases to the Durham Region Health Department by **completing the Durham Region Health Department Animal Diseases Reporting Form and faxing it to 905-666-1887**. You can also complete and submit the form **electronically through durham.ca/vetreport**

Please ensure you provide the following information when reporting the animal case:

- Vet clinic contact information including contact person, clinic name, clinic address and phone number
- Location of the animal
- Full name and contact information of the animal owner(s)
- Date of onset of clinical signs in the animal(s)
- Current health status of the animal(s)
- Any laboratory results that have been received or are pending

A letter and the new Animal Diseases Reporting Form will be mailed to all the veterinarians in Durham Region the week of February 12, 2018.

For more information, please contact the Health Protection Division's Environmental Help Line at 1-888-777-9613 or visit durham.ca.

Durham Region Health Department: 905-668-7711, 1-800-841-2729

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If you prefer to receive this information in an electronic format please submit your request to healthresources@durham.ca

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