



Durham Region Health Department FAX about...

For Health Care Professionals



Animal Disease Reporting Requirements for Veterinarians

Veterinarians are reminded that in accordance with the [Communicable Diseases – General, RRO 1990, Reg. 557](#), they are required to **report suspect or confirmed cases** of the following animal diseases to their local public health unit within one business day:

- **Avian chlamydiosis** (Psittacosis or Ornithosis) in captive birds, poultry flock and equine
- ***Echinococcus multilocularis*** infection in a definitive host animal
- **Avian influenza** in captive birds, poultry flocks, or mammals
- **Novel influenza** in captive birds, poultry flocks, or mammals (defined as any influenza virus not already known to be endemically circulating in Ontario's animal species)
- **Zoonotic *Mycobacterium Tuberculosis Complex*** in animals (any *Mycobacterium* species which could cause disease in humans including, but not limited to, *M. bovis* and *M. tuberculosis*)

Please **report suspect or confirmed animal cases** to the Durham Region Health Department electronically through [The Animal Disease Reporting Form for Veterinarians](#) (or durham.ca/hcp, Forms, Reporting, Animal Disease Reporting Form for Veterinarians).

Or you can also **report by phone or fax** with the following information:

- Vet clinic contact information including contact person, clinic name, 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

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Other Resources for More Information:

- [Durham.ca/hcp](https://durham.ca/hcp) – Health Care Professionals
- [Durham Region Health Department - Avian Influenza](#)
- [HPAI: Infection Prevention and Control Guidance for Veterinary Clinics](#)
- [CFIA - HPAI in Cattle: Guidance for private veterinarians](#)
- [CFIA - HPAI monitoring dashboard](#)
- [Government of Canada - Status of ongoing avian influenza response by province](#)
- [Ontario Animal Health Update: highly pathogenic avian influenza \(September 25, 2025\)](#)
- [Public Health Ontario \(PHO\) Avian Influenza Webpage](#)

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