

# POLICY MANUAL

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**Subject:** Infectious Disease Care  
Interface

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## POLICY:

Cumberland Heights and Lab Corp interfaces with the State of Tennessee Department of Health to report all suspected, diagnosed and confirmed cases of infectious disease according to 42 CFR, Part 2 and T.C.A. SS 68-10-101, 68-9-201 and 68-5-102 and chapter 1200-14 of the rules of the department. Referrals for the specialized care of such clients are also implemented as the individual's needs require.

## PROCEDURE:

1. When a client is suspected or has such symptoms as to cause suspicions that the client has an infectious disease, the Director of Nursing or her designee notifies the appropriate area of the Lentz Public Health Department.
2. When a client has such symptoms to suspect an infectious disease is present and a physician orders lab work to confirm this suspicion; Lab Corp will notify Cumberland Heights and the State of Tennessee Department of Health of positive confirmations of infectious diseases.
3. A physician's order is made to the appropriate Department of Health for the county the client lives in or client's primary care physician for further testing and/or cares as needed.
4. The referral is documented in the patient record.