HOW TO REPORT

Cases may be reported to MIOSHA by:

Phone 1.800.446.7805 or 517.322.1817
Fax 1.517.432.3606
E-Mail ODREPORT@ht.msu.edu
On-line www.oem.msu.edu
Mail MIOSHA Management and Technical Services Division
PO Box 30649
Lansing, MI 48909-8149

Please be prepared to include the following information on:

1) The disease or work aggravated condition being reported;
2) The patient’s name, gender, date of birth/age, race/ethnicity, address, telephone number;
3) The workplace name, address, and type of business;
4) The diagnosing physician’s (or laboratory’s) name, and telephone number.

We are interested in the report even if some of the above information is not available.

To find out more:
Contact Mary Jo Reilly, Coordinator of Michigan’s Occupational Disease Registry at 1.800.446.7805 or email ODREPORT@ht.msu.edu to obtain information on specific conditions, reporting requirements, or for other assistance.

Contact the MIOSHA Worker Health Surveillance program for more information.
Since 1978, the state of Michigan has had an Occupational Disease Reporting Law (Part 56 of the Michigan Public Health code). This law requires physicians, audiologists, hospitals, and employers to report work-related illnesses or conditions to the state within 10 days after the discovery of the occupational disease or condition.

Examples of reportable diseases include:
- Work-related asthma
- Silicosis
- Noise-induced hearing loss
- Repetitive trauma conditions
- Pesticide poisoning
- Carpal tunnel syndrome
- Carbon monoxide poisoning
- Dermatitis
- Heavy metal poisoning, including lead
- Hypersensitivity pneumonitis
- Any other illness or condition related to an occupational exposure

The Michigan Occupational Disease Registry is authorized to access all records of health care providers, and all other agencies or facilities that provide services to patients, as well as workplaces.

Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) has designated the Department of Medicine, Michigan State University (MSU) as its bona fide agent to assist in the compilation and reporting of Michigan occupational diseases.

Why does MIOSHA have an occupational disease registry?

Workplace injuries and illnesses are a significant problem in the United States. It is estimated that 26,000 to 72,000 workers die each year from occupationally related diseases. Condition-specific investigations of work-related asthma, silicosis, lead poisoning, and noise-induced hearing loss exist, but there is still a serious underreporting of all work-related illnesses. MIOSHA has designated MSU as its bona fide agent to assist in the compilation and reporting of occupational diseases.

How will reports be used?

MIOSHA has designated MSU as its bona fide agent to track the work-related diseases that are reported. By identifying and tracking work-related diseases in our state, we can guide future work to prevent additional workplace injuries and illnesses. By tracking and reporting work-related diseases in the workplace, we can identify areas where workers are at risk and take steps to prevent future incidents.

Examples of reportable diseases include:
- Any other illness or condition related to an occupational exposure
- Heavy metal poisoning, including lead
- Carbon monoxide poisoning
- Dermatitis
- Hypersensitivity pneumonitis
- Work-related asthma
- Noise-induced hearing loss
- Silicosis
- Work-related accidents

The Michigan Occupational Disease Registry is authorized to:
- Identify and track work-related illnesses
- Prevent future illnesses
- Guide future research
- Enforce workplace standards
- Develop new workplace standards

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