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Senator Ralph Alvarado, Chair  
c/o DeeAnn Wenk  
Senate Standing Committee on Health and Welfare  
Legislative Research Commission  
104, Capitol Annex  
Frankfort KY 40601

RE: 902 KAR 2:020. Reportable disease surveillance

Dear Chair Alvarado,

In order to reduce the burden of COVID-19 case reporting on healthcare providers, the Department for Public Health proposes the attached agency amendment to 902 KAR 2:020, Reportable disease surveillance. This proposed amendment will reduce the unnecessary duplicative reporting for healthcare providers when testing results are submitted to the local health department and the Department for Public Health concurrently through electronic laboratory reporting. Please feel free to contact Julie Brooks at the department at (502)564-3970 ext. 4069.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lucie Estill".

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CC: Administrative Regulations Compiler Office



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AGENCY AMENDMENT  
CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES  
Department for Public Health

902 KAR 2:020. Reportable disease surveillance

Page 14  
Section 6(1)(q)  
Line 16

After "virus that causes COVID-19)", insert the following:  
in accordance with subsection (2) of this section

Page 15  
Section 6(2)  
Line 9

After "virus that causes COVID-19," insert the following:  
the following reporting is required:

(a) Laboratory reports of:

1. Positive and negative test results for SARS-CoV-2 viral detection using antigen or Nucleic Acid Amplification Test (NAAT), including polymerase chain reaction (PCR);
2. SARS-CoV-2 molecular sequencing; and
3. Positive test results for IgM or IgG antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 nucleocapsid protein.

(b) Health professional case report when:

1. A COVID-19 diagnosis of a patient for whom a laboratory report is not independently submitted;
2. A COVID-19 diagnosis of a patient admitted to an inpatient medical facility; or
3. There is a COVID-19 associated mortality

Delete the following:

notification of testing results shall include both positive and negative test results