

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Charleston, West Virginia

December 31, 1964

Honorable Joe F. Burdett  
Secretary of State  
State of West Virginia  
State Capitol  
Charleston, West Virginia

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are two copies of regulations issued by this Department regarding regulations for laboratories to report reactive serologic and other tests for syphilis and for reporting of reactive serologic tests as a requirement for laboratory certification. These regulations are designated Series V of Chapter 16-1 of the West Virginia Administrative Regulations.

I hereby certify that the attached regulations are true and accurate copies of official regulations adopted by this Department on December 23, 1964.

Very truly yours,



W. H. Dyer, M. D., M. P. H.  
State Director of Health

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF  
JOE F. BURDETT  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
THIS DATE 12/31/64

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FILING OF ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

References are to sections in W. Va. Adm. Reg. 16-1, Ser. V

Regulation for Laboratories to Report Reactive Serologic and Other Tests for Syphilis and Regulation for Reporting of Reactive Serologic Tests as a Requirement for Laboratory Certification.

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Chapter 16-1  
Series V  
(1964)

Subject: Regulation for Laboratories to Report Reactive Serologic and Other Tests for Syphilis and Regulation for Reporting of Reactive Serologic Tests as a Requirement for Laboratory Certification.

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Section 1. General

1.01. Scope.--Regulations for laboratories to report Serologic and other tests for syphilis and regulations for reporting Reactive Serologic tests as a requirement for Laboratory Certification.

1.02. Authority.--These regulations are issued under authority of West Virginia Code, Chapter 16, Article 4, Section 6.

1.03. Effective Date.--These regulations are to become effective February 1, 1965.

1.04. Filing Date.--These regulations were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, December 23, 1964.

1.05 Certification.--These regulations were certified authentic by the Secretary of State by certification number 17.

Section 2. Regulation for Laboratories to Report Reactive Serologic and Other Tests for Syphilis

2.01. Requirement for Laboratories to Report Reactive Serologic and Other Tests for Syphilis to the State Department of Health.--

(a) Supervisors of all laboratories in West Virginia that perform serologic or other tests for syphilis shall make a report of all positive or reactive laboratory tests for syphilis to the West Virginia

State Director of Health on forms provided for the purpose as follows:

1. All reactive (positive) and weakly reactive (doubtful) serologic tests for syphilis.
2. All reactive (positive) and weakly reactive (doubtful) spinal fluid serologic tests for syphilis.
3. All positive darkfield microscopic tests for *treponema pallidum*.

(b) These reports shall include:

1. The name of the laboratory.
2. The name of the test, the date performed, and the result.
3. The name and location of the physician who submitted the specimen.
4. The name of the patient, and (if available) the sex, age, and address.
5. The signature of the supervisor of the laboratory.

2.02. Filing of Reports.--

(a) Reports of the above named laboratory tests shall be submitted on the 1st and 15th of each month, except positive darkfield tests which shall be submitted within 24 hours.

(b) If no reportable tests are performed during any reporting period, a statement to this effect shall be submitted by the supervisor of the laboratory.

2.03. Follow-up of Reports.--The State Director of Health or his authorized representatives shall work through the patient's physician in any follow-up of the aforementioned reports of positive laboratory tests.

2.04. Restrictions.--The reports of all positive tests submitted in compliance with these rules and regulations are hereby declared to be confidential and not public records and such information shall not be used except as is necessary to enforce venereal disease laws and regulations.

Section 3. Regulation for Reporting of Reactive Serologic Tests as a Requirement for Laboratory Certification

3.01. Approval of Laboratories in West Virginia for Syphilis Serology.--Approval of laboratories in West Virginia for syphilis serology shall be contingent on complete compliance with Chapter 2, Communicable Diseases, Article 4, requiring laboratories to report results of all reactive (positive) serologic tests for syphilis to the State Director of Health.

3.02. Reporting Procedure.--The reporting of reactive serologic tests for syphilis as a requirement for laboratory certification shall not be construed to mean that any other uncertified or unapproved laboratory is exempt from the reporting obligations of Chapter 2, Communicable Diseases, Article 4, Regulations of the West Virginia State Board of Health.

I hereby certify that the foregoing regulations constitute regulations adopted by the State Board of Health on September 24, 1968 effective October 24, 1968, amended and readopted May 21, 1975.

Regulations referred to above were previously filed with the Secretary of State's Office on September 24, 1968 with the amended and readopted regulations being duly filed in said office on May 30, 1975.



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STATE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH

Records in this office show that the regulations referred to above were filed as stated herein by N. H. Dyer, M.D., M.P.H., State Director of Health.



JAMES R. McCARTNEY  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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