WAC 246-101-705 Duties—Department of labor and industries. (1) The department of labor and industries shall:

(a) Be responsible for the investigation of cases identified as notifiable to the department of labor and industries under this chapter;

(b) Provide consultation and technical assistance to local health jurisdictions and the department investigating cases;

(c) Upon request, provide consultation and technical assistance to health care providers, laboratories, health care facilities, and others required to notify and cooperate with public health authorities under this chapter;

(d) Provide technical assistance to businesses and labor organizations for understanding the use of notifiable conditions data collected and analyzed by the department of labor and industries; and

(e) Develop routine data dissemination mechanisms that describe and analyze notifiable conditions case investigations and data. These may include annual and monthly reports and other mechanisms for data dissemination as developed by the department of labor and industries.

(2) The department of labor and industries may:

(a) Receive data through cooperative agreement negotiated by the department of labor and industries and a health care provider, laboratory, or health care facility;

(b) Receive health information, demographic information, and infectious or noninfectious condition information in addition to that required under this chapter from health care providers and health care facilities.

(3) When the department of labor and industries receives information under this section, the department of labor and industries shall handle the information under the requirements of WAC 246-101-710.

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