



# Protecting and Improving the Health of Iowans

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To: Healthcare Providers and Laboratorians

From: Kelly Garcia, Interim Director of the Iowa Department of Public Health and  
Caitlin Pedati, MD, MPH Medical Director & State Epidemiologist

Re: Designation of Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE) infection or  
colonization in Iowa residents as temporarily reportable

Date Issued: December 31, 2020

Pursuant to 641 Iowa Administrative Code 1.3 (139A), I, as the director of the Iowa Department of Public Health, temporarily designate confirmed or suspected cases of Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae infection or colonization as a reportable disease in Iowa. This designation will begin on December 31, 2020 and remain in place until December 31, 2021.

All Iowa health care providers and public, private, and hospital laboratories are required to report in three days any suspected or confirmed cases of Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae infection or colonization to the department by phone (1-800-362-2736) or electronically through the Iowa Disease Surveillance System (IDSS).

12.30.2020

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**IDPH INTERIM DIRECTOR**

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**Date**

12/30/2020

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**IDPH MEDICAL DIRECTOR**

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**641-1.3 (139A,141A) Reportable communicable and infectious diseases.** Reportable communicable and infectious diseases are those listed in Appendix A. The director may also designate any disease, poisoning or condition or syndrome temporarily reportable for the purpose of a special investigation.  
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