Program Element #66: Communicable Disease Response

OHA Program Responsible for Program Element:
Public Health Division/Office of the State Public Health Director

1. Description. Funds provided under this Agreement for this Program Element may only be used in accordance with, and subject to, the requirements and limitations set forth below, to operate a Communicable Disease control program in Grantee’s service area that includes the following components: (a) epidemiological investigations that report, monitor and control Communicable Disease, (b) diagnostic and consultative Communicable Disease services, (c) early detection, education, and prevention activities to reduce the morbidity and mortality of reportable Communicable Diseases, (d) appropriate immunizations for human and animal target populations to control and reduce the incidence of Communicable Diseases, (e) collection and analysis of Communicable Disease and other health hazard data for program planning and management, and (f) communications and community outreach related to communicable disease outbreak response.

Communicable Diseases affect the health of individuals and communities throughout Oregon. Disparities exist for populations that are at greatest risk, while emerging Communicable Diseases pose new threats to everyone. The vision of the foundational Communicable Disease Control program is to ensure that everyone in Oregon is protected from Communicable Disease threats through Communicable Disease and Outbreak reporting, investigation, and application of public health control measures such as isolation, post-exposure prophylaxis, education, or other measures as warranted by investigative findings.

This Program Element, and all changes to this Program Element are effective the first day of the month noted in Issue Date section of Exhibit C Financial Assistance Award unless otherwise noted in Comments and Footnotes of Exhibit C of the Financial Assistance Award.

2. Definitions Specific to State Support for Public Health

   a. Case: A person who has been diagnosed by a health care provider, as defined in OAR 333-017-0000, as having a particular disease, infection, or condition as described in OAR 333-018-0015, or whose illness meets defining criteria published in the OHA’s Investigative Guidelines.

   b. Communicable Disease: A disease or condition, the infectious agent of which may be transmitted to and cause illness in a human being.

   c. Outbreak: A significant or notable increase in the number of Cases of a disease or other condition of public health importance (ORS 431A.005).

   d. Reportable Disease: Any of the diseases or conditions specified in Oregon Administrative Rule 333-018-0015.

3. Alignment with Modernization Foundational Programs and Foundational Capabilities. The activities and services that the LPHA has agreed to deliver under this Program Element align with Foundational Programs and Foundational Capabilities and the public health accountability metrics (if applicable), as follows (see Oregon’s Public Health Modernization Manual, http://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/ABOUT/TASKFORCE/Documents/public_health_modernization_manual.pdf):

   a. Foundational Programs and Capabilities (As specified in Public Health Modernization Manual)
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**Epidemiological investigations** that report, monitor and control Communicable Disease (CD).

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**Diagnostic and consultative CD services.**

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**Early detection, education, and prevention activities.**

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**Appropriate immunizations** for human and animal target populations to reduce the incidence of CD.

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**Collection and analysis** of CD and other health hazard data for program planning and management.

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4. **Procedural and Operational Requirements.** By accepting and using the Financial Assistance awarded under this Agreement and for this Program Element, Grantee agrees to conduct activities in accordance with the following requirements:

   a. **Grantee must use all reasonable means to investigate in a timely manner all reports of Reportable Diseases, infections, or conditions.** To identify possible sources of infection and to carry out appropriate control measures, the Grantee Director or his/her designee is strongly encouraged to investigate each report following procedures outlined in OHA’s Investigative Guidelines or other procedures outlined by OHA. OHA may provide assistance in these investigations. Investigative guidelines are available at:
b. As part of its Communicable Disease control program, Grantee must, within its service area, investigate the Outbreaks of Communicable Diseases, institute appropriate Communicable Disease control and prevention education measures, and submit required information regarding the Outbreak to OHA in Orpheus as prescribed in OHA CD Investigative Guidelines available at:


For Grantee not conducting disease investigation, to the extent possible, Grantee must work with the relevant Tribe(s) and/or Local Public Health Authority or Authorities in their region to coordinate disease investigation activities.

5. **General Revenue and Expense Reporting.** Grantee must complete an “Oregon Health Authority Public Health Division Expenditure and Revenue Report” located in Exhibit C of the Agreement. These reports must be submitted to OHA each quarter on the following schedule:

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6. **Reporting Requirements.** Not applicable.

7. **Performance Measures.**

Not applicable.