IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION

EPIDEMIOLOGY PROGRAM

Event Name:	BOT
Event Time Period:	60 days
Description (CSTE 10-ID- 03, 2010)	Botulism, foodborne Clinical description: Ingestion of botulinum toxin results in an illness of variable severity. Common symptoms are diplopia, blurred vision, and bulbar weakness. Symmetric paralysis may progress rapidly.
	 Laboratory confirmation: Detection of botulinum toxin in serum, stool, or patient's food, OR Isolation of <i>Clostridium botulinum</i> from stool
	Botulism, infant Clinical description: An illness of infants, characterized by constipation, poor feeding, and "failure to thrive" that may be followed by progressive weakness, impaired respiration, and death.
	 Laboratory confirmation: Detection of botulinum toxin in stool or serum, OR Isolation of <i>Clostridium botulinum</i> from stool
	Botulism, wound Clinical description: An illness resulting from toxin produced by Clostridium botulinum that has infected a wound. Common symptoms are diplopia, blurred vision, and bulbar weakness. Symmetric paralysis may progress rapidly.
	 Laboratory confirmation: Detection of botulinum toxin in serum, OR Isolation of <i>Clostridium botulinum</i> from wound
	Botulism, other Clinical description: See Botulism, foodborne
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CDC Event Classification	Foodborne	Confirmed	A clinically compatible case that is laboratory confirmed or that occurs among persons who ate the same food as persons who have laboratory confirmed botulism			
(CSTE 10-ID- 03, 2010)		Probable	A clinically compatible case with an epidemiologic link (e.g., ingestion of a home-canned food within the previous 48 hours)			
	Infant	Confirmed	A clinically compatible case that is laboratory confirmed, occurring in a child aged less than 1 year			
	Wound	Confirmed	A clinically compatible case that is laboratory confirmed in a patient who has no suspected exposure to contaminated food and who has a history of a fresh, contaminated wound during the 2 weeks before onset of symptoms, or a history of injection drug use within the 2 weeks before the onset of symptoms			
		Probable	A clinically compatible case in a patient who has no suspected exposure to contaminated food and who has either a history of a fresh, contaminated wound during the 2 weeks before onset of symptoms, or a history of injection drug use within the 2 weeks before onset of symptoms			
	Other	Confirmed	A clinically compatible case that is laboratory confirmed in a patient aged greater than or equal to 1 year who has no history of ingestion of suspect food and has no wounds			
Massachusetts Event Classification:	Follows CDC	event classifica	ation			

Report type	Test Type	Source	Result	New event or beyond report period?	Data Entry	
Laboratory Report	Culture	Stool, wound, clinical specimen	Clostridium botulinum	Yes	New event SUSPECT	
				No	Same event	
Select:	Microorganism: PrId: Pt: xxx: Nom: Culture					
Select:	Microorganism: PrId: Pt: Islt: Nom: Bacterial subtyping					
Laboratory Report	Mouse Assay	Food, clinical specimen	Positive	Yes	New event SUSPECT	
	-			No	Same event	
Select	Clostridium botulinum toxin: ACnc: Pt: xxx: Ord:					
Select (Toxin A):	Clostridium botulinum toxin A: ACnc: Pt: xxx: Ord:					
Select (Toxin B):	Clostridium botulinum toxin B : ACnc: Pt: xxx: Ord:					
Select (Toxin E):	Clostridium botulinum toxin E: ACnc: Pt: xxx: Ord:					
Select (Toxin F):	Clostridium botulinum toxin F : ACnc: Pt: xxx: Ord:					
Laboratory Report	PCR	Clinical specimen	Positive	Yes	New event SUSPECT	
				No	Same event	
Select (Toxin A):	Clostridium botulinum toxin A botA gene XXX Ql PCR					
Select (Toxin B):	Clostridium botulinum toxin B botB gene XXX Ql PCR					
Select (Toxin C):	Clostridium botulinum toxin C botC gene XXX Ql PCR					
Select (Toxin D):	Clostridium botulinum toxin D botD gene XXX Ql PCR					
Select (Toxin E):	Clostridium botulinum toxin E botE gene XXX Ql PCR					
Select (Toxin F):	Clostridium botulinum toxin F botF gene XXX Ql PCR					
Select (Toxin G):	Clostridium botulinum toxin G botG gene XXX Ql PCR					