

(1) REQUIRE A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OR OTHER PERSON TO REPORT INFORMATION TO THE SECRETARY OR OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIAL ON THE FOLLOWING:

(I) THE PRESENCE OF AN INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIFIED ILLNESSES OR SYMPTOMS;

(II) DIAGNOSTIC AND LABORATORY FINDINGS RELATING TO DISEASES CAUSED BY DEADLY AGENTS;

(III) STATISTICAL OR UTILIZATION TRENDS RELATING TO POTENTIAL DISEASE OUTBREAKS;

(IV) INFORMATION NEEDED TO CONDUCT CONTACT TRACING FOR EXPOSED INDIVIDUALS; AND

(V) OTHER DATA DEEMED BY THE SECRETARY TO HAVE EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE IN DETECTING POSSIBLE CATASTROPHIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES;

(2) OBTAIN ACCESS TO INFORMATION IN THE POSSESSION OF A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER;

(3) REQUIRE OR AUTHORIZE A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION TO AN AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR ANOTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDER;

(4) REQUIRE A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OR OTHER PERSON TO SUBMIT REPORTS TO THE DEPARTMENT CONTAINING INFORMATION DETAILING THE PRESENCE AND USE OF DEADLY AGENTS;

(5) OBTAIN ACCESS TO PREMISES IN ORDER TO SECURE ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES AND OTHERWISE INVESTIGATE ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL EXPOSURES TO DEADLY AGENTS; AND

(6) REQUIRE A VETERINARIAN OR OTHER PERSON TO REPORT DATA RELATING TO SPECIFIED ILLNESSES OR SYMPTOMS IN ANIMAL POPULATIONS.

(C) THE SECRETARY, IN ACQUIRING INFORMATION UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, SHALL:

(1) REQUEST AND USE NONIDENTIFYING INFORMATION WHENEVER POSSIBLE; AND

(2) LIMIT THE USE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO DETECT AND INVESTIGATE ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL EXPOSURES TO A DEADLY AGENT.

(D) (1) ANY INFORMATION THAT THE SECRETARY RECEIVES UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND MAY BE USED OR DISCLOSED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.