

Section 18-201, 18-202, and 18-205  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Health - General**

18-201.

(a) A physician with reason to suspect that a patient under the physician's care has A CONDITION OR an infectious or contagious disease, except human immunodeficiency virus or acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, that endangers public health AND THAT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED BY THE SECRETARY AS REPORTABLE shall submit immediately a report to the health officer for the county where the physician cares for that patient.

(b) †The report shall:

(1) CONTAIN THE INFORMATION AND BE IN A FORMAT SPECIFIED OR APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY; AND

(2) BE TRANSMITTED AS DIRECTED BY THE SECRETARY.

~~(1) Be on the form that the Secretary provides;~~

~~(2) Identify the disease or suspected disease;~~

~~(3) State the name, age, race, sex, and residence address of the patient; and~~

~~(4) Be signed by the physician.~~

(c) (1) All physician reports required under this section are:

(i) Confidential;

(ii) Not open to public inspection; and

(iii) Subject to subpoena or discovery in any criminal or civil proceeding only pursuant to a court order sealing the court record. ~~(1) ALL REPORTS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION;~~