



**REPORTING THE IDENTIFICATION OF A SELECT AGENT OR TOXIN FROM A CLINICAL/DIAGNOSTIC SPECIMEN (APHIS/CDC FORM 4A)**

FORM APPROVED  
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**INSTRUCTIONS**

Detailed instructions are available at <http://www.selectagents.gov/form4.html>. Answer all items completely and type or print in black ink. This report must be signed and submitted to either APHIS or CDC:

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service  
Agriculture Select Agent Services  
4700 River Road Unit 2, Mailstop 22, Cubicle 1A07  
Riverdale, MD 20737  
FAX: (301) 734-3652  
E-mail: [AqSAS@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:AqSAS@aphis.usda.gov)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Division of Select Agents and Toxins  
1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop A-46  
Atlanta, GA 30329  
FAX: (404) 471-8469  
E-mail: [CDCForm4@cdc.gov](mailto:CDCForm4@cdc.gov)

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**Submit completed form only once by either e-mail, fax, or mail**

SECTION A – REFERENCE LABORATORY INFORMATION						
1. Name of individual completing Sections A and B: First: _____ MI: _____ Last: _____		2. E-mail address: _____		3. Telephone #: _____		
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Entity (APHIS or CDC Registration #: _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical or Diagnostic Laboratory [non-registered entity (NRE)] (NRE # (provided by APHIS or CDC): _____)			9. Entity name: _____			
5. Responsible Official or Laboratory Supervisor name (if same as field 1 then skip to field 9): First: _____ MI: _____ Last: _____			10. Address (NOT a post office address): _____			
6. E-mail address: _____		7. Telephone #: _____	8. Fax #: _____	11. City: _____	12. State: _____	
13. Zip Code: _____						
SECTION B – SELECT AGENT OR TOXIN IDENTIFIED FROM CLINICAL/DIAGNOSTIC SPECIMEN(S)						
1. Select Agent or Toxin Identified: _____			2. Date identified: _____			
3. Case/patient/sample ID #(s): _____		4. # of samples received: _____	5. Sample type received: _____		6. Case/patient origin (zip code): _____	
7. Type of test performed (e.g., PCR, mouse bioassay, ELISA): _____						
8. Dispositions of select agent or toxin by entity listed in Block A9 (complete all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> Transferred (Provide entity name and date of transfer. Entity: _____ Date: _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Destroyed (Provide destruction method and date. Method: _____ Date: _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Retained (Provide name of Principal Investigator retaining sample. Name: _____)						
9. Were any of the samples containing a select agent or toxin handled outside of primary containment which may have led to an unintentional release and/or exposure to the select agent or toxin? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If Yes, you are required under 7 CFR §331.19, 9 CFR §121.19, and 42 CFR §73.19 to complete and submit an APHIS/CDC Form 3)						
10. Do you anticipate receiving additional samples/specimens for this case/patient that originate from the initial case (e.g., patient, environmental sample)? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If Yes, please refer to the guidance instructions at <a href="http://www.selectagents.gov">www.selectagents.gov</a> for further directions.)						
11. Has the sender(s) (i.e., sample provider(s)) of the specimen(s) been notified of the identification of the select agent or toxin? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> N/A NOTE: Please request completed and signed Sections C & D from each facility that was in possession of the specimen(s).						
12. Sample Provider Entity Name: _____						
13: Sample Provider Point of Contact: First: _____ MI: _____ Last: _____		14. Sample Provider E-mail Address: _____		15. Sample Provider Contact Number: _____		
16. Comments / Notes: _____ _____						

I hereby certify that the information contained in Sections A and B of this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I knowingly provide a false statement on any part of this form, or its attachments, I may be subject to criminal fines and/or imprisonment. I further understand that violations of 7 CFR Part 331, 9 CFR Part 121, or 42 CFR Part 73 may result in civil or criminal penalties, including imprisonment.

Signature of Responsible Official/Laboratory Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



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**SECTION C – SAMPLE PROVIDER INFORMATION**

1. Name of individual completing Sections C and D: First: _____ MI: _____ Last: _____		2. E-mail address: _____		3. Telephone #: _____	
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Entity (APHIS or CDC Registration #: _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical or Diagnostic Laboratory [non-registered entity (NRE)] (NRE # (provided by APHIS or CDC): _____)		9. Entity name: _____			
5. Responsible Official or Laboratory Supervisor name (if same as field 1 then skip to field 9): First: _____ MI: _____ Last: _____		10. Address (NOT a post office address): _____			
6. E-mail address: _____	7. Telephone #: _____	8. Fax #: _____	11. City: _____	12. State: _____	13. Zip Code: _____

**SECTION D – SPECIMEN(S) CONTAINING SELECT AGENT OR TOXIN PROVIDED TO REFERENCE LABORATORY**

1. Select Agent or Toxin Identified: _____			2. Date notified of select agent or toxin identification: _____		
3. Case/patient/sample ID #(s): _____	4. # of samples shipped: _____	5. Sample type provided: _____	6. Case/patient/sample origin (zip code): _____		
7. Date sample(s) shipped to Reference Laboratory: _____		8. Name of Reference Laboratory: _____			
9. Disposition of any remaining select agent or toxin by entity listed in Block C9: <input type="checkbox"/> Destroyed (Provide destruction method and date. Method: _____ Date: _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Retained (Provide name of Principal Investigator retaining sample. Name: _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable, the entire specimen was transferred to the Reference Laboratory.					
10. Were any of the samples containing a select agent or toxin handled outside of primary containment which may have led to an unintentional release and/or exposure to the select agent or toxin? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If Yes, you are required under 7 CFR §331.19, 9 CFR §121.19, and 42 CFR §73.19 to complete and submit an APHIS/CDC Form 3)					
11. Was your entity the source of the sample(s)? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If Yes, skip to field 18)					
12. Do you anticipate receiving additional samples/specimens for this case/patient that originate from the initial case (e.g., patient, environmental sample)? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If Yes, please refer to the guidance instructions at <a href="http://www.selectagents.gov">www.selectagents.gov</a> for further directions.)					
13. Has the sender(s) (i.e., sample provider(s)) of the specimen(s) been notified of the identification of the select agent or toxin? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <b>NOTE:</b> Please request completed and signed Sections C & D from each facility that was in possession of the specimen(s).					
14. Sample Provider Entity Name: _____					
15. Sample Provider Point of Contact: First: _____ MI: _____ Last: _____		16. Sample Provider E-mail Address: _____		17. Sample Provider Contact Number: _____	
18. Comments / Notes:   					

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Signature of Responsible Official/Laboratory Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Public reporting burden:** Public reporting burden of providing this information is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to CDC/ATSDR Reports Clearance Officer: 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; ATTN: PRA (0920-0576).