



BC Centre for Disease Control
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ATTN: Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices
Directors of Health Protection
Communicable Disease Environmental Health Officers
Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators
Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

Re: Revisions to Chapter I Communicable Disease Control “Exclusion of Enteric Cases and their Contacts from High Risk Settings”

Revisions are made to Tables 2 and 3, associated explanatory notes and references. The reason for the revisions to Table 2 is to accommodate BC Public Health Microbiology and Reference Laboratory changes for testing of Shiga-toxin producing *E. coli*. The reasons for the revisions to Table 3 are to clarify the case definition for *S. Typhi/Paratyphi* and to shorten the testing time for microbiological clearance based on a review of recent evidence.

Please remove and destroy the following from the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 1 – Communicable Disease Control, Exclusion of Enteric Cases and their Contacts from High Risk Settings:

Pages 1 to 26

Dated May 2010

Please insert the following in the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 1 – Communicable Disease Control, Exclusion of Enteric Cases and their Contacts from High Risk Settings:

Pages 1 to 28

Dated May 2013

Administrative Circular 2013:10

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Henry". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "B" and a long, sweeping underline.

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