

## Chapter 24: State-Specific Surveillance of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases

### Special Notice

This *Manual for the Surveillance of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases* provides general guidance to state and local health department personnel who are involved in surveillance activities for vaccine-preventable diseases. The manual provides answers to commonly asked questions regarding the surveillance and reporting of vaccine-preventable diseases. However, specific laws and regulations and logistics of disease reporting are unique to each state or jurisdiction.

It should also be noted that immunization information systems (IISs, or immunization registries) have become an increasingly useful source of surveillance data for patient vaccination histories. IISs vary by state, but when available, they should be included among the sources of information used to collect and report on vaccination history for cases of vaccine-preventable diseases.

Each state or jurisdiction is encouraged to publicize and disseminate its own specific guidelines for surveillance and reporting of vaccine-preventable diseases along with the information in this manual.