

# CHAPTER 11

## CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

11.1 In terms of section 45 of the Health Act, 1977 (Act No. 63 of 1977), the medical conditions below are notifiable. The Tshwane University of Technology (TUT) must therefore be informed in writing of such medical conditions without delay.

- Acute rheumatic fever
- Anthrax
- Brucellosis
- Cholera
- Congenital syphilis
- Diphtheria
- Food poisoning (outbreaks of more than four persons)
- Haemorrhagic fevers of Africa (Congo fever, Dengue fever, Ebola fever, Lassa fever, Marburg fever, Rift Valley fever)
- Lead poisoning
- Legionellosis
- Leprosy
- Malaria
- Measles
- Rubella
- Meningococcal infections
- Paratyphoid fever
- Plague
- Poisoning from any agricultural or stock remedy registered in terms of the Fertilizers, Farm Feeds, Agricultural Remedies and Stock Remedies Act, 1947 (Act No. 36 of 1947)
- Poliomyelitis
- Rabies (specify whether human case or human contact)
- Smallpox and any smallpox-like disease, excluding chickenpox
- Tetanus
- Tetanus neonatorum
- Trachoma
- Tuberculosis B
  - (i) Pulmonary and other forms, except cases diagnosed solely on the basis of clinical signs and symptoms.
  - (ii) In the case of any child younger than five (5) years with a significant reaction following tuberculin testing.
- Typhoid fever
- Typhus fever (epidemic louse-borne typhus fever, endemic flea-borne typhus fever)
- Viral hepatitis A, B, non-A, non-B and undifferentiated
- Yellow fever

If a student suspects that he or she has a contagious or an infectious disease that may be transmitted to other people, and should he or she participate in any TUT activities, for example (without any limitations), accommodation in TUT residences, sitting for examinations or tests, or participation in TUT projects, sport or recreational activities, he or she must obtain medical advice and/or undergo the required treatment without delay.

Should such medical advice entail that the student has to withdraw from any or all TUT activities, he or she must act accordingly.

Should such a student fail to withdraw from the activity or activities in question, he or she must exempt TUT from any liability of any kind whatsoever, whether directly or indirectly, for the consequences of his or her failing to do so.

Should a student have suffered from a contagious or an infectious disease, or have been in contact with any person suffering from such disease, the student must submit a medical certificate to the Registrar, containing confirmation that the student may return to TUT without there being any danger of him or her infecting other students.

