

Date: March 31, 2026

From: Dr. Dueck, Medical Officer of Health

Re: Lyme Disease Resources and Mandatory Reporting Form

This memo links health care providers with Lyme disease resources, along with Lambton Public Health's mandatory reporting form for any suspect or confirmed Lyme disease diagnoses, transmitted through the bite of a blacklegged tick (deer tick) infected with *Borrelia burgdorferi* spirochete bacteria.

Please distribute to health care providers in your network that may require this information.

Legislation

Health care providers are required to report suspect or confirmed diseases of public health significance, with the [reportable diseases list](#) found on Lambton Public Health's website.

Action for Health Care Providers

- For eligible patients, **administer antibiotic prophylaxis or treatment**, per guidance:
 - **Ontario Health – [Lyme Disease Clinical Guidance Algorithm](#)**
 - **Public Health Ontario – [Assessment and Prescribing Algorithm for Pharmacists: Antibiotic Prophylaxis to Prevent Lyme Disease following a Tick Bite](#)**
- **[Complete the mandatory reporting form](#)** and fax to Lambton Public Health, as required.

Additional Resources

- **Public Health Ontario – [Blacklegged Tick Established Risk Areas Map \(includes Pinery Provincial Park and 20 km surrounding area\)](#)**
- **Public Health Ontario – [Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever in \[Long Point\], Ontario](#)**