Case Definition

Disease	Case Definition	Timeframe
Syphilis	Reportable criterion:	
	A. No past history of syphilis, AND a reactive	
	nontreponemal test (i.e., VDRL or RPR), AND	
	a reactive treponemal test (i.e., TPHA, TPPA,	
	FTA-abs, TPLA, EIA, CIA or CMIA)	
	B. Demonstration of <i>Treponema pallidum</i> by	
	darkfield microscopy, direct fluorescent	Report within
	antibody test, or nucleic acid test in a clinical	one week
	specimen.	
	C. A reactive VDRL test in cerebrospinal fluid.	
	D. A prior history of syphilis and a current	
	nontreponemal test titer demonstrating	
	fourfold or greater increase from the last	
	nontreponemal test titer.	