



WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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Denise Boehm
Acting Network Director, VISN 4
1010 Delafield Road
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15215

RE: Standing Written Request for Patient Information

Dear Ms. Boehm:

This agency has responsibilities for protecting the public's health or safety pursuant to W. Va. Code R. § 64-7 to investigate or obtain information for the purposes set forth in and authorized by the cited Statute.

As the authorized head of this agency or delegated representative, I hereby request the following Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Centers within VISN 4 to report patient health information pursuant to the West Virginia Reportable Disease Legislative Rule (W. Va. Code R. § 64-7) regarding the reporting of infectious disease information and any other information that the department requires by regulation.

- James E. Van Zandt VA Medical Center, Altoona, PA, and all associated community-based clinics
- Corporal Michael J. Crescenzo VA Medical Center, Philadelphia, PA, and all associated community-based clinics
- VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System, Pittsburgh, PA, and all associated community-based clinics
- Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Coatesville, PA, and all associated community-based clinics
- Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Erie, PA, and all associated community-based clinics
- Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Lebanon, PA, and all associated community-based clinics
- Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Wilkes-Barre, PA, and all associated community-based clinics
- Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Wilmington, DE, and all associated community-based clinics

This information will not be utilized for any purpose other than required by law. This agency is aware of the penalty provisions of 38 U.S.C. §5701(f)(2) which provides a penalty for unauthorized use of names or addresses of Veterans and their dependents not to exceed \$5,000 for the first offense and \$20,000 for any subsequent offense. This request shall be valid for a period of three years.

Sincerely,



Dr. Mark E. McDaniel
Acting State Health Officer

MEM:rb

cc: Dr. Arvin Singh, Secretary of Health
Justin J. Davis, Acting Commissioner
of the Bureau for Public Health
Shannon McBee, State Epidemiologist