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## TRICHINOSIS CASE REPORT

PATIENT INFORMATION					
Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Suffix	Primary Language	
Social Security Number (9 digits)		DOB (mm/dd/yyyy)	Age	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Address Number & Street – Residence			Apartment / Unit Number		
City / Town		State	Zip Code		
Census Tract	County of Residence		Country of Residence		
Country of Birth		If not U.S. Born - Date of Arrival in U.S. (mm/dd/yyyy)			
Home Telephone		Cellular Phone / Pager		Work / School Telephone	
E-mail Address			Other Electronic Contact Information		
Work / School Location			Work / School Contact		
Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Trans female / transwoman <input type="checkbox"/> Genderqueer or non-binary <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Trans male/ transman <input type="checkbox"/> Identity not listed <input type="checkbox"/> Declined to answer					
Pregnant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown			If Yes, Est. Delivery Date (mm/dd/yyyy)		
Medical Record Number			Patient's Parent/Guardian Name		
Occupation Setting (see list on page 7)			Other Describe/Specify		
Occupation (see list on page 7)			Other Describe/Specify		
Ethnicity (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown					
Race(s) (check all that apply, race descriptions on page 6) The response to this item should be based on the patient's self-identity or self-reporting. Therefore, patients should be offered the option of selecting more than one racial designation.					
<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian (check all that apply, see list on page 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Bangladeshi <input type="checkbox"/> Laotian <input type="checkbox"/> Cambodian <input type="checkbox"/> Malaysian <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani <input type="checkbox"/> Filipino <input type="checkbox"/> Sri Lankan <input type="checkbox"/> Hmong <input type="checkbox"/> Taiwanese <input type="checkbox"/> Indonesian <input type="checkbox"/> Thai <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____					
<input type="checkbox"/> Black or African-American <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (check all that apply, see list on page 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian <input type="checkbox"/> Samoan <input type="checkbox"/> Fijian <input type="checkbox"/> Tongan <input type="checkbox"/> Guamanian <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____					
<input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown					
ADDITIONAL PATIENT DEMOGRAPHICS					
Sex Assigned at Birth		Sexual Orientation			
<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Declined to answer		<input type="checkbox"/> Heterosexual or straight <input type="checkbox"/> Questioning, unsure, or patient doesn't know <input type="checkbox"/> Declined to answer <input type="checkbox"/> Gay, lesbian, or same-gender loving <input type="checkbox"/> Orientation not listed <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Bisexual			
CLINICAL INFORMATION					
Physician Name - Last Name			First Name		Telephone Number

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<b>SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS</b>					
Symptomatic? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		Onset Date (mm/dd/yyyy)		Date First Sought Medical Care (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Signs and Symptoms	Yes	No	Unk	If Yes, Specify as Noted	
Fever				Highest temperature (specify °F/°C)	
Myalgia					
Eosinophilia (EM)				Absolute number (#)	Percentage (%)
Periorbital edema					
Other signs / symptoms (specify)					
<b>HOSPITALIZATION</b>					
Did the patient visit the emergency room for illness? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown					
Was the patient hospitalized? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		If Yes, how many total hospital nights?		During any part of the hospitalization, did the patient stay in an intensive care unit (ICU) or a critical care unit (CCU)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
If there were any ER visits or hospital stays related to this illness, specify details in the Hospitalization – Details section below.					
<b>HOSPITALIZATION – DETAILS</b>					
Hospital Name 1	Street Address			Admit Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
	City			Discharge / Transfer Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
	State	Zip Code	Telephone Number	Medical Record Number	Discharge Diagnosis
Hospital Name 2	Street Address			Admit Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
	City			Discharge / Transfer Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
	State	Zip Code	Telephone Number	Medical Record Number	Discharge Diagnosis
<b>OUTCOME</b>					
Outcome? <input type="checkbox"/> Survived <input type="checkbox"/> Died <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		If Survived, Survived as of _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)			Date of Death (mm/dd/yyyy)
<b>LABORATORY INFORMATION</b>					
<b>LABORATORY RESULTS SUMMARY</b>					
Specimen Type 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Serum (acute) <input type="checkbox"/> Serum (convalescent) <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		Type of Test <input type="checkbox"/> Trichinella sp. serology <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle biopsy <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____			Collection Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
If Serum (acute) is submitted, then Serum (convalescent) must also be submitted.		Result		Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> Positive <input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Equivocal	
		Laboratory Name		Telephone Number	
		Specimen Type 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Serum (acute) <input type="checkbox"/> Serum (convalescent) <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		Type of Test <input type="checkbox"/> Trichinella sp. serology <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle biopsy <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
If Serum (acute) is submitted, then Serum (convalescent) must also be submitted.		Result		Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> Positive <input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Equivocal	
		Laboratory Name		Telephone Number	

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**EPIDEMIOLOGIC INFORMATION**

**FOOD HISTORY (six weeks preceding onset of illness)**

Did patient eat pork? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	If Yes, specify type of pork below.
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Type of Pork	Yes	No	Unk	If Yes, Specify as Noted
Commercial source (e.g., store, restaurant)				Date Consumed (mm/dd/yyyy)
Farm-raised pig				Date Consumed (mm/dd/yyyy)
Wild pig				Date Consumed (mm/dd/yyyy)
Other pork				Date Consumed (mm/dd/yyyy)

Did patient eat other meat (non-pork)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	If Yes, specify type of meat below.
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Type of Meat	Yes	No	Unk	If Yes, Specify as Noted
Bear meat				Date Consumed (mm/dd/yyyy)
Hamburger (ground meat)				Date Consumed (mm/dd/yyyy)
Other meat				Type of Meat _____ Date Consumed (mm/dd/yyyy)
Unspecified meat				Date Consumed (mm/dd/yyyy)

If patient reported eating any of the above meats, specify details below.

**FOOD HISTORY - DETAILS**

<b>Type of Meat 1</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial source <input type="checkbox"/> Pork from farm-raised pig <input type="checkbox"/> Wild pig <input type="checkbox"/> Other pork: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Bear meat <input type="checkbox"/> Hamburger (ground meat) <input type="checkbox"/> Other meat: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Unspecified meat	<b>Was the meat tested?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	<b>If tested, was evidence of larvae found?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Larvae identified <input type="checkbox"/> Larvae not identified <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
	<b>Where was the suspected meat obtained?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Direct from farm <input type="checkbox"/> Hunted or trapped <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurant or other public eating establishment <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Butcher shop <input type="checkbox"/> Supermarket / grocery store <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
	<b>How was the meat further processed?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No further processing <input type="checkbox"/> Ground (i.e., hamburger) <input type="checkbox"/> Smoked <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Dried (jerky) <input type="checkbox"/> Marinated <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
	<b>How was the meat prepared for consumption?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Uncooked <input type="checkbox"/> Fried <input type="checkbox"/> Other cooking method: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Barbeque <input type="checkbox"/> Open-fire roasting <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
	<b>What was the final disposition of the suspected meat?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Consumed <input type="checkbox"/> Still in patient's possession <input type="checkbox"/> Disposed of with household waste <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Given away or sold <input type="checkbox"/> Cooked or otherwise processed <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

<b>Type of Meat 2</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial source <input type="checkbox"/> Pork from farm-raised pig <input type="checkbox"/> Wild pig <input type="checkbox"/> Other pork: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Bear meat <input type="checkbox"/> Hamburger (ground meat) <input type="checkbox"/> Other meat: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Unspecified meat	<b>Was the meat tested?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	<b>If tested, was evidence of larvae found?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Larvae identified <input type="checkbox"/> Larvae not identified <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
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**CONTACTS / OTHER ILL PERSONS**

Any contacts with similar illness (including household contacts)?

 Yes  No  Unknown

If Yes, specify details below.

**ILL CONTACTS - DETAILS**

Name 1	Age	Gender	Telephone Number	Type of Contact / Relationship	Date of Contact (mm/dd/yyyy)
Street Address			Exposure Event		Illness Onset Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
City		State	Zip Code	Date First Reported to Public Health (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Name 2	Age	Gender	Telephone Number	Type of Contact / Relationship	Date of Contact (mm/dd/yyyy)
Street Address			Exposure Event		Illness Onset Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
City		State	Zip Code	Date First Reported to Public Health (mm/dd/yyyy)	

**NOTES / REMARKS****REPORTING AGENCY**

Investigator Name	Local Health Jurisdiction	Telephone Number	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
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First Reported By

 Clinician  Laboratory  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_**EPIDEMIOLOGICAL LINKAGE**

Epi-linked to known case?

 Yes  No  Unknown

Contact Name / Case Number

**DISEASE CASE CLASSIFICATION**

Case Classification (see case definition on page 5)

 Confirmed  Probable  Suspected**STATE USE ONLY**

State Case Classification

 Confirmed  Probable  Suspected  Not a case  Need additional information

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**CASE DEFINITION****TRICHINOSIS (2014)****CLINICAL DESCRIPTION**

A disease caused by ingestion of *Trichinella* larvae, usually through consumption of *Trichinella*-containing meat—or food contaminated with such meat—that has been inadequately cooked prior to consumption. The disease has variable clinical manifestations. Common signs and symptoms among symptomatic persons include eosinophilia, fever, myalgia, and periorbital edema.

**LABORATORY CRITERIA FOR DIAGNOSIS****Human Specimens:**

- Demonstration of *Trichinella* larvae in tissue obtained by biopsy, OR
- Positive serologic test for *Trichinella*

**Food Specimens:**

- Demonstration of *Trichinella* larvae in the food item (probable)

**EPIDEMIOLOGIC LINKAGE**

Persons who shared the implicated meat/meal should be investigated and considered for case status as described above.

**CRITERIA TO DISTINGUISH A NEW CASE FROM AN EXISTING CASE**

Serial or subsequent cases of trichinellosis experienced by one individual should only be counted if there is an additional epidemiologically compatible exposure. Because the duration of antibodies to *Trichinella* spp. is not known, mere presence of antibodies without a clinically-compatible illness AND an epidemiologically compatible exposure may not indicate a new infection especially among persons with frequent consumption of wild game that is known to harbor the parasite.

**CASE CLASSIFICATION**

**Suspected:** Instances where there is no clinically compatible illness should be reported as suspect if the person shared an epidemiologically implicated meal, or ate an epidemiologically implicated meat product, and has a positive serologic test for trichinellosis (and no known prior history of *Trichinella* infection).

**Probable:**

- A clinically compatible illness in a person who shared an epidemiologically implicated meal or ate an epidemiologically implicated meat product, OR
- A clinically compatible illness in a person who consumed a meat product in which the parasite was demonstrated.

**Confirmed:** A clinically compatible illness that is laboratory confirmed in the patient.

**COMMENTS**

Epidemiologically implicated meals or meat products are defined as a meal or meat product that was consumed by a person who subsequently developed a clinically compatible illness that was laboratory confirmed.

Negative serologic results may not accurately reflect disease status if blood was drawn less than 3-4 weeks from symptom onset (Wilson et. al, 2006).

**REFERENCE**

**Wilson M, Schantz P, Nutman T, 2006.** Molecular and immunological approaches to the diagnosis of parasitic infection. Detrick B, Hamilton RG, Folds JD, eds. Manual of Molecular and Clinical Laboratory Immunology. Washington, DC: American Society for Microbiology, 557-568.

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RACE DESCRIPTIONS	
Race	Description
American Indian or Alaska Native	Patient has origins in <b>any</b> of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America).
Asian	Patient has origins in <b>any</b> of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent (e.g., including Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam).
Black or African American	Patient has origins in <b>any</b> of the black racial groups of Africa.
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Patient has origins in <b>any</b> of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, American Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
White	Patient has origins in <b>any</b> of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.
ASIAN GROUPS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bangladeshi</li> <li>• Bhutanese</li> <li>• Burmese</li> <li>• Cambodian</li> <li>• Chinese</li> <li>• Filipino</li> <li>• Hmong</li> <li>• Indian</li> <li>• Indonesian</li> <li>• Iwo Jiman</li> <li>• Japanese</li> <li>• Korean</li> <li>• Laotian</li> <li>• Madagascar</li> <li>• Malaysian</li> <li>• Maldivian</li> <li>• Nepalese</li> <li>• Okinawan</li> <li>• Pakistani</li> <li>• Singaporean</li> <li>• Sri Lankan</li> <li>• Taiwanese</li> <li>• Thai</li> <li>• Vietnamese</li> </ul>	
NATIVE HAWAIIAN AND OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER GROUPS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carolinian</li> <li>• Chamorro</li> <li>• Chuukese</li> <li>• Fijian</li> <li>• Guamanian</li> <li>• Kiribati</li> <li>• Kosraean</li> <li>• Mariana Islander</li> <li>• Marshallese</li> <li>• Melanesian</li> <li>• Micronesian</li> <li>• Native Hawaiian</li> <li>• New Hebrides</li> <li>• Palauan</li> <li>• Papua New Guinean</li> <li>• Pohnpeian</li> <li>• Polynesian</li> <li>• Saipanese</li> <li>• Samoan</li> <li>• Solomon Islander</li> <li>• Tahitian</li> <li>• Tokelauan</li> <li>• Tongan</li> <li>• Yapese</li> </ul>	

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**OCCUPATION SETTING**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Childcare/Preschool</li> <li>• Correctional Facility</li> <li>• Drug Treatment Center</li> <li>• Food Service</li> <li>• Health Care - Acute Care Facility</li> <li>• Health Care - Long Term Care Facility</li> <li>• Health Care - Other</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homeless Shelter</li> <li>• Laboratory</li> <li>• Military Facility</li> <li>• Other Residential Facility</li> <li>• Place of Worship</li> <li>• School</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul> |
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**OCCUPATION**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agriculture - farmworker or laborer (crop, nursery, or greenhouse)</li> <li>• Agriculture - field worker</li> <li>• Agriculture - migratory/seasonal worker</li> <li>• Agriculture - other/unknown</li> <li>• Animal - animal control worker</li> <li>• Animal - farm worker or laborer (farm or ranch animals)</li> <li>• Animal - veterinarian or other animal health practitioner</li> <li>• Animal - other/unknown</li> <li>• Clerical, office, or sales worker</li> <li>• Correctional facility - employee</li> <li>• Correctional facility - inmate</li> <li>• Craftsman, foreman, or operative</li> <li>• Daycare or child care attendee</li> <li>• Daycare or child care worker</li> <li>• Dentist or other dental health worker</li> <li>• Drug dealer</li> <li>• Fire fighting or prevention worker</li> <li>• Flight attendant</li> <li>• Food service - cook or food preparation worker</li> <li>• Food service - host or hostess</li> <li>• Food service - waiter or waitress</li> <li>• Food service - other/unknown</li> <li>• Homemaker</li> <li>• Laboratory technologist or technician</li> <li>• Laborer - private household or unskilled worker</li> <li>• Manager, official, or proprietor</li> <li>• Manicurist or pedicurist</li> <li>• Medical - emergency medical technician or paramedic</li> <li>• Medical - health care worker</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical - medical assistant</li> <li>• Medical - pharmacist</li> <li>• Medical - physician assistant or nurse practitioner</li> <li>• Medical - physician or surgeon</li> <li>• Medical - registered nurse</li> <li>• Medical - other/unknown</li> <li>• Military - officer</li> <li>• Military - recruit or trainee</li> <li>• Protective service - police officer</li> <li>• Protective service - other</li> <li>• Professional, technical, or related profession</li> <li>• Retired</li> <li>• Sex worker</li> <li>• Student - preschool or kindergarten</li> <li>• Student - elementary or middle school</li> <li>• Student - high (secondary) school</li> <li>• Student - college or university</li> <li>• Student - other/unknown</li> <li>• Teacher/employee - preschool or kindergarten</li> <li>• Teacher/employee - elementary or middle school</li> <li>• Teacher/employee - high (secondary) school</li> <li>• Teacher/instructor/employee - college or university</li> <li>• Teacher/instructor/employee - other/unknown</li> <li>• Unemployed - seeking employment</li> <li>• Unemployed - not seeking employment</li> <li>• Unemployed - other/unknown</li> <li>• Other</li> <li>• Refused</li> <li>• Unknown</li> </ul> |
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