



**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Public Health**

Acute Communicable Disease Control  
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# Seafood Poisonings

**Check the disease that is being reported:**

- Scombroid Fish Poisoning       Ciguatera Fish Poisoning  
 Domoic Acid Poisoning       Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**REPORT SOURCE**

Reporting source (check all that apply)      Create date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
 Lab    Hospital    Provider    Public health agency    Other  
 Reporter name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reporter phone \_\_\_\_\_

**PATIENT INFORMATION**

Name (last, first) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  Homeless      Birth date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_    Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_      Gender  F  M  Other  Unk  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Ethnicity**  Hispanic or Latino     Not Hispanic or Latino

**Race** (check one)  
 Native American     African-American / Black     Asian / Pacific Islander     White     Other \_\_\_\_\_

If Asian / Pacific Islander, please check one:  
 Asian Indian     Japanese     Cambodian     Korean     Chinese     Lao     Filipino     Samoan     Hawaiian  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**CLINICAL INFORMATION**

Onset date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_      Diagnosis date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_      Illness duration: \_\_\_\_\_ days

**Signs and Symptoms**

- | Y                        | N                        | DK                       | NA                       |  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Nausea   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Vomiting   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Diarrhea    Maximum # of stools in 24 hours: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Flushing or redness                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Headache   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Rash or hives                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Itching  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Mouth tingling or numbness                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Breathing difficulty or shortness of breath        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Weakness   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Extremities numb or tingling                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Swallowing or speech difficulty                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Eyelids drooping (ptosis)                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Vision blurred or doubled                          |

**Hospitalization**

- | Y                        | N                        | DK                       | NA                       |                               |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Hospitalized for this illness |

Hospital name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Admit date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_      Discharge date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

- | Y                        | N                        | DK                       | NA                       |   |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Died from illness      Death date ___/___/___ |

**Clinical Findings**

- | Y                        | N                        | DK                       | NA                       |  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Ataxia   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Cranial nerve abnormalities (bulbar weakness)<br>Specify _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Paralysis or weakness<br><input type="checkbox"/> Acute flaccid paralysis <input type="checkbox"/> Asymmetric<br><input type="checkbox"/> Symmetric <input type="checkbox"/> Ascending <input type="checkbox"/> Descending |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Respiratory distress   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Respiratory failure  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Abnormal liver function  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Reversal of hot and cold sensation   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Confusion, disorientation or memory loss   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Admitted to intensive care unit  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Intubated or on ventilator during hospitalization  |

**Laboratory**

Collection date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

- Specimen type:  Food    Stool    Blood    Unk  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Toxin identified? \_\_\_\_\_

**EXPOSURE (Refer to dates above)**

Y N DK NA

Travel out of the state, out of the country, or outside of usual routine  
 Out of:  County  State  Country  
 Dates/Locations: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Y N DK NA

Case knows anyone with similar symptoms  
    **Epidemiologic link to a confirmed human case**

Patient could not be interviewed  
 No risk factors or exposures could be identified

**Seafood consumption in the 4 days prior to onset**

Y N DK NA Raw

Tuna  
     Albacore  
     Mahi-mahi  
     Sardines  
     Mackerel  
     Snapper  
     Yellowtail  
     Puffer fish (fugu)  
     Other fish  
     Oysters  
     Clams  
     Mussels  
     Scallops  
     Abalone  
     Other shellfish  
    Known contaminated food product  
    Other food from restaurants  
 Restaurant name/location: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIONS**

Notify others sharing exposure  
 Notify EHS – Food & Milk  
 Initiate trace-back investigation  
 Close local beaches  
 Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**SEAFOOD INVESTIGATION**

For each seafood ingestion investigated, please complete as many of the following questions as possible. (Append extra copies of this section if more than one seafood type was ingested and investigated.)

Type of seafood (e.g., clams): \_\_\_\_\_ Amount consumed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date consumed \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Time consumed \_\_\_\_\_ am pm

If patient ate multiple seafood items in the 4 days before onset of illness, please note why this seafood was investigated (e.g., consumed raw, implicated in outbreak investigation): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

How was this fish or seafood prepared?

Raw  Baked  Boiled  Broiled  Fried  Steamed  Unk  Other, (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Was this seafood imported from another country? Y N DK NA

If YES, specify exporting country if known: \_\_\_\_\_

Was this fish or shellfish harvested by the patient or a friend of the patient? Y N DK NA

Where was this seafood obtained? (Check one)

Oyster bar or restaurant  Seafood market  
 Truck or roadside vendor  Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Food store \_\_\_\_\_

Name of restaurant, oyster bar, or food store: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

If shellfish were eaten, how were they distributed to the retail outlet?

Shell stock (sold in the shell)  Shucked  Unk.  
 Other, (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Date restaurant or food outlet received seafood: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Was the restaurant or food outlet inspected as part of the investigation? Y N DK NA

Are shipping tags and/or invoices available from the suspect lot? (Attach copies if available)

Y N DK NA

Shippers who handled suspected seafood: (please include certification numbers if on tags) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Source(s) of seafood: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Harvest site:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_  Approved  Conditional  Prohibited  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_  Approved  Conditional  Prohibited  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_  Approved  Conditional  Prohibited  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Was there evidence of improper storage, cross-contamination, or holding temperature at any point? **Y N DK NA**

If YES, specify deficiencies: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTES**

Large empty rectangular area for notes.

Investigator

Investigation complete date \_\_/\_\_/\_\_