

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Title of Rule: Reporting and Testing of Infectious, Environmental, and Occupational Diseases (216-RICR-30-05-1)

Rule Identifier: 216-RICR-30-05-1

Rulemaking Action: Direct Final Amendment

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: December 16, 2021

End of Public Comment: January 15, 2022

Rulemaking Authority:

R.I. Gen. Laws § 23-1-1

R.I. Gen. Laws § 23-8-1

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

This is a technical amendment to include multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children as a reportable condition.

The Agency does not expect this filing to be controversial and therefore, a public hearing will not be held.

Additional Information and Public Comments:

If no formal objection is received on or before January 15, 2022, the Department of Health will file the Amendment and the Final Rule will take effect on this date.

Objections should be addressed to:

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Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

In development of this rule, consideration was given to:

- 1) Alternative approaches;
- 2) Overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and
- 3) Significant economic impact on small business

No alternative approach, duplication or overlap was identified based on available information. RIDOH has determined that the benefits of the rule justify its costs.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staffperson listed above.