

Reporting Suspected Chikungunya Cases to USVI Department of Health

If you see a patient with the following symptoms, please report it to the USVI DOH:

- Acute onset of fever **>38°C or >101°F**
AND
- **Severe arthralgia or arthritis** not explained by another medical condition

How to report suspected chikungunya cases to the USVI DOH:

- 1) Fill out the “Dengue and Chikungunya Reporting Form” available at www.healthvi.org/forms. The yellow highlighted fields are mandatory, but please do your best to fill out all fields.
- 2) Make TWO copies of the filled-out “Dengue and Chikungunya Reporting Form.”
- 3) Send the FIRST copy of the form to Dr. Esther Ellis at the USVI DOH by fax (preferred) or mail:

Dr. Esther M. Ellis, USVI Territorial Epidemiologist
USVI Department of Health
Charles Harwood Complex , 3500 Estate Richmond
Christiansted, St. Croix, USVI 00820-4370
Fax: 340-718-1508 | Email: esther.ellis@doh.vi.gov

How to request FREE chikungunya testing through the USVI DOH:

- 1) Report the suspected case to Dr. Esther Ellis as above. This is required for testing.
- 2A) If you offer phlebotomy services, send the SECOND copy of the form with a refrigerated (4°C) SERUM sample (1 tube only) sent on cold packs directly to the Charles Harwood Complex on St. Croix:
Charles Harwood Medical Complex, c/o Dr. Esther Ellis
3500 Estate Richmond
Christiansted, St. Croix, USVI 00820-4370
Re: USVI Chikungunya Testing Request
- 2B) If you do not offer phlebotomy services, send the SECOND copy of the form with the patient to have their blood drawn at one of the following:
 - A) Doctors Clinical Lab (Phlebotomy fee: \$15)
1010 Tenth Street Suite 1
St Thomas, USVI 00802
 - B) CD Diagnostics Clinical Lab (Phlebotomy fee: \$15)
Medical Arts Complex, Altona, Suite 3
St Thomas, USVI 00802
 - C) Community Medical Lab (Phlebotomy fee: \$30)
9149 Estate Thomas, Unit 102
St Thomas, USVI 00802
 - D) Schneider Regional Medical Center (Phlebotomy fee: \$17.50)
9048 Sugar Estate
St Thomas, USVI 00802
 - E) Juan F. Luis Hospital (Phlebotomy fee: \$32.45)
4007 Estate Diamond Ruby
Christiansted, St. Croix, USVI 00821
 - F) Clinical Laboratory Inc. (Phlebotomy fee: \$30)
Sunny Isle, Island Medical Center, Suite 6
 - G) Beeston Hill Clinic Laboratory (Phlebotomy fee: \$35)
Beeston Hill Medical Center (340) 773-4990

For any questions regarding reporting or testing for chikungunya, please call the USVI DOH at 340-773-1311 and ask to speak to Dr. Esther M. Ellis (x3241) or 340 626 1654 (cell). Thank you for your cooperation!

Sincerely, Dr. Esther M. Ellis | USVI Territorial Epidemiologist