

## Explanatory Statement

# Public Health Notifiable Conditions Determination 2005

### Disallowable Instrument DI2005-220

made under the

#### **Public Health Act 1997, s 100 (Notifiable Conditions – Ministerial determination)**

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Part 6 of the *Public Health Act 1997* (the Act) provides for the monitoring and investigation of notifiable conditions so that public health action may be carried out in order to minimise the adverse public health effects of such conditions.

Under subsection 100 (1) of the Act the minister may in writing, determine-

- (a) a disease or medical condition to be a notifiable condition; and
- (b) a disease referred to in paragraph (a) to be a transmissible notifiable condition.

The list of notifiable conditions determined under s100 was last updated on 30 September 1999. Several additions to and deletions from are proposed in order to be consistent with the Australian national notifiable diseases list and to remain relevant considering current and emerging threats to public health.

The following conditions have been added:

- Avian Influenza
- Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease;
- Influenza;
- Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome;
- Smallpox;
- Tularemia;
- Varicella; and
- gastrointestinal illness cluster

Lymphogranuloma Venereum and Chancroid were deleted.

The determination is a disallowable instrument for the purposes of the *Legislation Act 2001*.