

FORM A: Referral of cases/suspect TSE cases to the National CJD Surveillance Unit (NCJDSU)¹ and to the Local Department of Public Health (Also to be adapted with outcomes data)

Patient Details:

Patients Name:		Maiden Name:	
DOB:		Today's Date:	
Address:		GP Name & Address:	
Referring Consultant Name:		Assessed by Neurologist?	
Attending Hospital:		Neurologist details:	
Contact No.:		All types TSE: donated/received tissues/organs?	
If possible vCJD: donated/received blood/plasma components?		NCJDSU Notified?	
MOH/Public Health notified? ²			

Clinical Details: Symptomatic No Yes

Classification³:

<input type="checkbox"/> Sporadic CJD	<input type="checkbox"/> Familial CJD	<input type="checkbox"/> Definite CJD	<input type="checkbox"/> Possible CJD
<input type="checkbox"/> Variant CJD	<input type="checkbox"/> Iatrogenic CJD	<input type="checkbox"/> Probable CJD	<input type="checkbox"/> Diagnosis Unclear ⁴
<input type="checkbox"/> At increased risk of CJD			

Date of first symptoms?

Symptoms:
Any of the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> Myoclonus	<input type="checkbox"/> Ataxia
<input type="checkbox"/> Pyramidal features	<input type="checkbox"/> Cerebellar problems
<input type="checkbox"/> Extrapyrmidal features	<input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric symptoms
<input type="checkbox"/> Akinetic mutism	<input type="checkbox"/> Sensory symptoms
<input type="checkbox"/> Chorea / Dystonia	<input type="checkbox"/> Visual symptoms

EEG?	[Triphasic Periodic Discharge (1/sec)?]
Brain MRI?	[Caudate/putamen (sCJD) OR pulvinar (vCJD) high signal?]
CSF 14-3-3?	
Biopsies Performed?	

Diagnostic Outcome:

Confirmed CJD

CJD thought unlikely

Not CJD

Details re diagnostic outcome:

HAS any of the following applicable CJD or vCJD incident occurred?: YES NO

- o A patient has donated organs/tissues before being diagnosed with CJD or vCJD
- o A patient has donated blood before being diagnosed with vCJD
- o A patient has donated organs/tissues before being identified as having an increased risk of CJD or vCJD
- o A patient has donated blood before being identified as having an increased risk of vCJD
- o A patient with confirmed/probable/possible diagnosis of CJD or vCJD has had an invasive procedure involving high or medium level risk tissues within the likely infective period and appropriate infection control guidance was not followed
- o A patient with an increased risk of CJD or vCJD had an invasive procedure involving high or medium level risk tissues and appropriate infection control guidance was not followed

CSF Specimen Details:

Date of Sampling:		Date CSF sent:	
Storage Conditions:	4°C	-20°C	-70°C
White cell count		Red cell count	
CSF Total Protein			

The National CJD Surveillance Unit will not process CSF samples without receipt of this completed form.

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²**MOH:** MOH is the Director of Public Health (DPH) or a designated Consultant in Public Health Medicine (CPHM). For relevant contact details please see <http://www.hpsc.ie/NotifiableDiseases/Whotonotify/File,13160,en.pdf>

³**Classification** For guidance refer to the Diagnostic Criteria and Case Definitions <http://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/other/cjd/casedefinitions/>

Diagnosis unclear: some cases, especially early in the course of the disease may not reach the diagnostic criteria of possible CJD, but may still be suspected as cases of CJD.