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(a) (1) An individual who has a communicable disease or is a carrier of a communicable disease may not work, in any capacity that brings that individual into contact with the production, handling, storage, or transportation of milk products, containers, equipment, or utensils, at:

(i) A dairy farm;

(ii) A milk plant;

(iii) A receiving station; or

(iv) A transfer station.

(2) A person who operates a dairy farm, transfer station, receiving station, or milk plant may not employ any individual:

(i) Who, if employed, would violate paragraph (1) of this subsection; or

(ii) Whom the employer reasonably believes would violate paragraph (1) of this subsection if employed.

(b) Each holder of a permit for a receiving station, transfer station, or as a distributor, milk processor, or milk producer shall notify the Secretary immediately if:

(1) A communicable disease affects any individual on that person's dairy farm, distribution station, receiving station, transfer station, or milk plant; or

(2) That person suspects that any employee of that person has contracted a communicable disease or has become a carrier of a communicable disease.

(c) An individual who has an infected cut or lesion on a hand or arm may not handle any milk product, milk container, or milk equipment.

(d) (1) The Secretary may make or require a reasonable medical and biological examination of an individual who is suspected of having any communicable disease.

(2) An examination under this subsection may include examination of the bodily discharges of the individual.

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