Ohio Revised Code
Section 3701.54 Duties of department of health.
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The department of health shall:

(A) Enforce sections 3701.51 to 3701.55 of the Revised Code;

(B) Promulgate rules as necessary for the purpose of those sections and as the director of health
deems necessary for the further and proper guidance of health commissioners;

(C) Provide for the gratuitous distribution of a scientific prophylactic for inflammation of the eyes of
the newborn, together with directions for its proper use and administration, to all physicians and
certified nurse-midwives engaged in the practice of obstetrics or assisting at childbirth;

(D) Publish and promulgate such further advice and information concerning the dangers of
inflammation of the eyes of the newborn and of gonorrheal ophthalmia, and the necessity for prompt
and effective treatment;

(E) Furnish copies of sections 3701.51 to 3701.55 of the Revised Code to all physicians, certified
nurse-midwives, and persons engaged in services relating to the public health;

(F) Keep a proper record of all cases of inflammation of the eyes of the newborn and gonorrheal
ophthalmia filed with the department pursuant to sections 3701.51 to 3701.55 of the Revised Code
and as may come to its attention in any way;

(G) Report all violations of sections 3701.51 to 3701.55 of the Revised Code that come to its
attention to the state medical board and also to the prosecuting attorney of the county wherein the
violation was committed, and assist those officials in every way possible.