Agent Summary—Klebsiella pneumoniae

(CDC and Pa Dept. of Health)

1. Precaution

*Klebsiella* bacteria are normally found in the human intestines (where they do not cause disease). They are also found in human stool (feces).

To get a Klebsiella infection, a person must be exposed to the bacteria. For example, Klebsiella must enter the respiratory (breathing) tract to cause pneumoniae, or the blood to cause a bloodstream infection.

Klebsiella bacteria are mostly spread through person-to-person contact (contaminated skin) or by contamination of the environment (contaminated work surfaces). The bacteria are not spread through the air.

2. PPE: follow SOP #2.0 donning and doffing procedure
3. Lab area: _____________________________
4. Animal holding area: _____________________________
5. Animal procedure area: _____________________________