Appendix 3 PHU Checklist

Case ID number: ____________

For cases given priority (see Section 9 Case management):
   Contact the case’s doctor to:
   □ Obtain patient’s history
   □ Confirm results of relevant pathology tests
   □ Provide advice on case and contact management

   If required, make contact with the case or case’s care giver to:
   □ Identify likely source of infection
   □ Review vaccination status
   □ Confirm onset date and symptoms of the illness
   □ Recommend exclusions and restrictions
   □ Identify contacts and obtain contact details
   □ Complete Pertussis Investigation Form
   □ Provide Pertussis fact sheet

   If required, make contact with the case’s contacts to:
   □ Assess risk of pertussis (susceptibility, exposure history)
   □ Recommend antibiotic prophylaxis if appropriate
   □ Explain symptoms, exclusions and restrictions (child care)
   □ Provide with Pertussis fact sheet

For all other cases:
   □ Where high risk contacts or clusters are identified by the treating doctor, offer (as resources permit) to assist with management of these contacts

Confirm case
   □ Assess information against case definition

Contact ACIR to:
   □ Verify immunisation status

Other issues:
   □ For a pertussis death, report details to state/territory CDB
   □ Where defined groups of people have been exposed (e.g., schools, child care), contact the person in charge to explain the situation and to provide letters to exposed people
   □ Enter case data onto notifiable diseases database