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Hospital-acquired infection public reporting and MRSA related bills under consideration by states in 2009

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Alabama- [SB 89](#) (Search for SB89, click button then view. Works best in Internet Explorer.)

Bill Status: Introduced 2/3, assigned to health committee. Pending action.

Bill Sponsor: Sen. Bobby Denton

Bill Information: Requires hospital infection reporting

Arizona – [SB 1228](#)

Bill Status: Introduced 1/28, read by Senate.

Bill Sponsor: Senator Meg Burton Cahill, Representatives Edward Ableser; Phil Lopes

Bill Information: Prescription marketing costs; gift disclosure

Colorado – [HB 1025](#)

Bill Status: Introduced 1/7. Last action on 2/3: referred to Senate Committee on Health and Human Services; 3/3: passed Senate; 3/11: Signed by the Speaker of the House

Bill Sponsor: House: Riesberg, Frangas, Green, Massey; Senate: Boyd, Kopp, Morse

Bill Information: National certification for infection control, exempts ambulatory surgical centers and certified dialysis treatment centers

Connecticut – [HB 5887](#); [HB 6192](#)

Bill Status: HB 5887: Introduced 1/23, referred to Joint Committee on Public Health; HB 6192: 1/27: referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees; 3/9: referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis.

Bill Sponsor: HB 5887: Reps. Mary Fritz, Jeffrey Berger; HB 6192: Labor and Public Employees Committee

Bill Information: HB 5887: civil penalty for hospital that do not comply with infection reporting law; HB 6192: Workers' Compensation presumptions for MRSA for employees for the Department of Correction

Hawaii – [HB 1689](#); [SB 1261](#); [SB 170](#); [SB 361](#); [HR 73](#)

Bill Status: HB 1689: Introduced 1/28 and passed first reading; 1/30: Referred to Committees on Health/Human Services, Committees on Consumer Protection & Commerce/Judiciary, Committee on Finance, referral sheet 5; SB 1261: Introduced 1/28 and passed first reading 1/30, referred to Committees on Health, Ways and Means; SB 170: Introduced 1/23; Referred to Committee on Health on 1/26; Re-referred to Committees on Health, Ways and Means; 2/11: Public

hearing; SB 361: Introduced 1/23; 1/26: Passed first reading; 1/28: Referred to Committees on Health, Commerce and Consumer Protection on 1/28, 2/11: Committee on Health public hearing; HR 73: Introduced 2/25/09; 3/6/09: Referred to health committee

Bill Sponsor: HB 1689: Takumi, Thielen; SB 1261: Gabbard, Chun Oakland, Hooser, Ige, Kidani, Sakamoto, Tsutsui; SB 170: Green, Baker, Chun Oakland, Ige; SB 361: Slom; HR 73: M. LEE, BROWER, RHOADS, Har

Bill Information: HB 1689: Prescription record privacy; SB 1261: Hospital infection reporting; SB 170: Reporting of staph infections; SB 361: Single use medical devices; HR 73: Requesting the Department of Health to establish reporting requirements for hospitals and medical facilities regarding hospital-acquired infections. Companion is HCR 93

Illinois – [HB 185](#); [SB 105](#)

Bill Status: HB 185: Introduced 1/14; Assigned to Human Services Committee on 2/4; SB 105: Introduced 1/30; 2/4: Assigned to Public Health; 3/9: Amendment No. 1, 2 referred to Senate committee on Assignments

Bill Sponsor: HB 185: Reps. Patricia Bellock, Sidney Mathias, Sandy Cole, Rosemary Mulligan; SB 105: Sen. Christine Radogno

Bill Information: HB 185: State facility MRSA screening; SB 105: State facility MRSA screening

Indiana -- [HB 1539](#)

Bill Status: Introduced 1/16, referred to House Committee on Public Health

Bill Sponsor: Rep. Noe

Bill Information: annual report on the number of MRSA infections at the hospital

Iowa – [SF 48](#); [SF 389](#) (formerly SF 48)

Bill Status: Introduced 1/27, referred to Human Resources; 1/28: Subcommittee, Hatch Bolkcom, and Seymour; SF 389: 3/10 committee report approving bill

Bill Sponsor: Hatch

Bill Information: Establishes insurance exchange; prohibits gifts to health care practitioners. No reimbursement of providers for an otherwise covered service if the service is required solely on account of the provider's avoidable medical error.

Kentucky – [HB 67 \(BR 236\)](#)

Bill Status: Prefiled 12/3/08; Introduced in House 1/6/09; 1/7: Referred to Health and Welfare (H)

Bill Sponsor: Rep. Melvin Henley

Bill Information: Hospital acquired and multi-drug resistant infections reporting bill

Maryland – [SB 750](#)

Bill Status: Introduced and read first time 2/6, assigned to Finance

Bill Sponsor: Senator Gladden

Bill Information: MRSA and VRE reporting bill

Massachusetts – [HB 2139](#)

Bill Status: Filed 1/14

Bill Sponsor: Denise Provost, John W. Scibak, Carl Sciortino, Jr., et. al

Bill Information: MRSA screening of high risk patients and reporting back to the health department and patient safety center.

Michigan – [HB 4010](#)

Bill Status: Introduced 1/22, referred to House Committee on Health Policy

Bill Sponsor: Rep. Lessia Liss

Bill Information: Hospital infection reporting

Minnesota – [HF 724](#)

Bill Status: Introduced 2/12, referred to Health Care and Human Services Policy and Oversight

Bill Sponsor: Kahn; Huntley; Thissen, Murphy, E; Clark

Bill Information: Hospital-acquired infections, including MRSA, required to be reported as adverse events.

Mississippi – [HB 811](#)

Bill Status: Introduced 1/19, referred to Public Health and Human Services; Judiciary A; Died in Committee 2/3/09.

Bill Sponsor: Lane, Evans, Scott

Bill information: Pharma must disclose gifts/fee

Missouri – [HB 286](#)

Bill Status: Introduced 1/15, referred to Healthcare Transformation 1/22; 2/3: Public hearing completed; 2/10: Voted Do Pass with Amendments; 2/11: Referred to Rules Committee-do pass on 2/18; HB 286 w/ HCS; hearing not scheduled. House Calendar. House Bills for perfection-consent 2/19.

Bill Sponsor: Reps. Robert Schaaf, Sander, Cooper

Bill information: Changes infection control law; MRSA control programs

New Hampshire – [HB 40](#); [HB 592](#)

Bill Status: HB 40: Introduced 1/7, referred to House Executive Departments and Administration committee; Hearing on 1/21; Due out of committee on 2/19; HB 592: Introduced 1/8, referred to Health, Human Services & Elderly Affairs; Due out of committee 3/19; 3/24: floor date

Bill Sponsor: HB 40: Reps. David Hess, Peter Batula, Charles McMahon, Leo Pepino; HB 592: Reps. Peter Batula, David Hess, Anne-Marie Irwin, Kathleen Sgambati, Robert Letourneau, Cindy Rosenwald, Joy Tilton, Sheila Roberge

Bill Information: HB 40: administrative fine of up to \$1,000 for each day of noncompliance upon any hospital required to report infection rates; HB 592: adverse events reporting

New Mexico- [SB 408](#)

Bill Status: Introduced 2/2, referred to Senate Committee on Corporations and Transportation; In Senate Public Affairs Committee; 3/5/09: Referred to House committee on Health and Government Affairs

Bill Sponsor: Sen. Dede Feldman

Bill Information: Creates hospital infection advisory committee

New York – [A 294](#); [A 886](#); [A 2987](#); [A 3977](#); [S 496](#); [S 2189](#)

Bill Status: A 294: 1/7: Referred to Health; A 886: Prefiled 1/7, referred to Health; A 2987: 1/22: Referred to Health; A 3977: 1/29: Referred to Health; S 496:

1/7/09: Referred to Health; S 2189: 2/13/09: Referred to Aging

Bill Sponsor: A 294: Magnarelli; Lancman, Eddington, Galef, Benedetto, Millman, Brook-Krasny, Colton, DelMonte, Cahill, Spano, Clark, Jaffree, Koon, Espaillat; A 886: McDonough, Finch, Bacalles, Thiele, Townsend; A 2987: Cusick; A 3977: Mayersohn; S 496: Sen. Lanza; S 2189: Sen. Golden

Bill Information: A 294: Establishes standards and programs related to the prevention and/or reduction of hospital acquired infections; A 886: hospital infection reporting; A 2987: notifying hospital patients about hospital infections; A 3977: Prohibits coverage plans, including Medicaid, from reimbursing hospital infection related costs; S 496: same as A 2987; S 2189: hospital infection reporting.

North Carolina – [HB 296](#), [SB 330](#)

Bill Status: HB 296: Introduced 2/26; passed favorably by Health Committee; referred to Appropriations Committee on 3/9. SB 330: referred to Appropriations/Base Budget Committee.

Bill Sponsor: HB 296: Rep. M. Alexander, Allen; SB 330: Purcell

Bill Information: provides for funding of hospital infection reporting.

Rhode Island – [SB 187](#)

Bill Status: Introduced 2/4, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Bill Sponsor: Senator C Levesque

Bill Information: hospital infection reporting

Texas – [HB 344](#); [SB 203](#); [SB 151](#); [SB 553](#); [HB 1386](#); [SB 1535](#); [SB 1816](#) ([HB 1362](#)).

Bill Status: HB 334: Introduced 11/25/08; SB 203: Prefiled 11/10/08, received by the Secretary of the Senate; SB 151: Filed 11/10/08, received by the Secretary of the Senate; SB 553: Introduced 1/27, received by the Secretary of the Senate; 2/3: Co-author authorized; HB 1386: Filed 2/18; 3/2: referred to Public Health committee; SB 1535: Billed filed 3/9; SB 1816: Health and Human Services Committee on 3/20.

Bill Sponsor: HB 344: Leibowitz; SB 203: Shapleigh; SB 151: Ellis; SB 553: Lucio, Carona, Wendy Davis, Duell, Ellis, Wentworth; HB 1386: Yvonne Davis; SB 1535: Hinojosa; SB1816: Van DePutte; HB1362: Gutierrez.

Bill Information: HB 344: Prohibits state Medicaid reimbursement for all 27 never events; SB 203: Relates to the reporting of MRSA infection rates in hospitals; SB 151: physician gift disclosure; SB 553: physician gift disclosure; HB 1386: reporting of deaths due to hospital infections; SB 1535: Medicaid nonpayment of certain preventable adverse events and reporting of hospital infections

Vermont – [SB 48](#); [H 212](#)

Bill Status: SB 48: Introduced 1/28; 1/30: Read the first time and referred to Committee on Finance; H 212: 2/13: Read first time and referred to the Committee on Health Care

Bill Sponsor: SB 48: Sens. Peter Sumlin, Kevn Mullin, Matthew Choate, Timothy Ashe; H 212: Rep. Donna Sweaney

Bill Information: SB 48: eliminating most Pharma gifts to physicians and disclosing others; H 212: Health care commissioner, in consultation with representatives from the public oversight commission, hospitals, etc. shall adopt rules establishing a standard format for the content of reports, including measures of hospital-acquired infections.

Washington – [HB 1123](#); [SB 5500](#)

Bill Status: HB 1123: Introduced 1/14, House Health Care and Wellness Committee; 1/27: hearing; 2/13: Scheduled for executive session in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness; substituted and recommended to be passed; 3/11: referred to Senate Health & Long-Term Care; hearing schedules for 3/25. SB 5500: Introduced 1/23, referred to Health & Long-Term Care; 2/4: Public hearing; 2/5: Executive action taken; 2/6: HEA-Majority: do pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading

Bill Sponsor: HB 1123: Campbell, Morrell, Hunter, Pedersen, Chase, Ormsby, Simpson, Wood, Conway; SB 5500: Sens. Keiser, Pflug, Franklin, Parlette, Murray, Kohl-Welles

Bill Information: HB 1123: Reducing spread of multi-drug resistant organisms; SB 5500: MRSA screening of ICU patients

Link to 2008 bills:

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