

APIC-DFW Government Affairs Committee (GAC)

October 2006 Report

TEXAS REGISTER ACTIVITY

- ? 09/08/06: *ADOPTED* rule changes, starting on page 7351: TITLE 25. HEALTH SERVICES. PART 1. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES. CHAPTER 97. COMMUNICABLE DISEASES; SUBCHAPTER K; RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (25 TAC 97.251 – 97.257). The 04/14/06 *PROPOSED* rule was adopted in full without changes, and establishes a sentinel surveillance program per House Bill 1677, 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005.

- ? No other new or adopted rules for September 2006.

NATIONAL ACTIVITY

- ? In the 09/22/06 MMWR is Revised Recommendations for HIV Testing of Adults, Adolescents, and Pregnant Women in Health-Care Settings* (Vol.55/No. RR-14). This can be accessed electronically at:

- ? <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/rr/rr5514.pdf>

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- ? <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5514a1.htm>

* At this time we do not know if there is any standing Texas legislation and/or rule that would prevent implementation of these guidelines, and, a call has been placed to the Texas Hospital Association for guidance.