

DFW-APIC Government Affairs Committee (GAC) -- April 2010

TEXAS ISSUES

TEXAS REGISTER (see <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml>)

PROPOSED: Still following for ADOPTION

- TITLE 25. HEALTH SERVICES; PART 1. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES; CHAPTER 97. COMMUNICABLE DISEASES; SUBCHAPTER B. IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS IN TEXAS ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; 25 TAC §97.64 → Regarding Hepatitis B Virus immunization for students enrolled in veterinary courses.
- TITLE 25. HEALTH SERVICES; PART 1. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES; CHAPTER 131. FREESTANDING EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES; The Executive Commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission on behalf of the Department of State Health Services (department) proposes new §§131.1, 131.2, 131.21 - 131.31, 131.41 - 131.68, 131.81, 131.82, 131.101 - 131.109, 131.121 - 131.123, and 131.141 - 131.148, concerning the regulation of freestanding emergency medical care facilities.

ADOPTED

- TITLE 25. HEALTH SERVICES; Part 1. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES; Chapter 97. COMMUNICABLE DISEASES; Subchapter F. SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES INCLUDING ACQUIRED IMMUNODEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS) AND HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV); 25 TAC §97.136 → Adopted as proposed on 01/01/10 in the Texas Register without changes regarding prophylaxis against Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

FEDERAL ISSUE

- APIC headquarters (HQ) has issued a summary regarding IP&C issues and the recent healthcare reform bill signed into law. This can be access on APIC-DFW homepage at www.apicdfw.org and/or on the APIC HQ website at: http://www.apic.org/Content/NavigationMenu/GovernmentAdvocacy/PublicPolicyLibrary/HCR-summaryofHR3590as_enacted3-23-10final.pdf
- APIC Anywhere webinar on “State-Summary Report of HAI Data Reported to NHSN” scheduled for 04/01/10 at 1pm CDT (check to see if archived).

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