

DFW-APIC Government Affairs Committee (GAC)

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TEXAS ISSUES

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

PROPOSED: <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/pdf/currview/0702prop.pdf> (see pages 5701-5716 for full set of proposed rules). NOTE: only (*) immediately apply to public reporting of specific HAI and of PAE's (preventable adverse events). Public comment is open for 30-days after 07/02/10 (instructions to comment in Texas Register).

- **07/02/10: TITLE 25. HEALTH SERVICES PART 1. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES CHAPTER 133. HOSPITAL LICENSING**
 - §133.2 – add definitions for nurse and surgical technologist
 - §133.41(e) – hospitals must provide sexual assault services (specifics listed)
 - §133.41(g)* – require written, implemented, and enforced policy for reporting to the department certain HAI and PAE
 - §133.41(f) – mandatory nurse staffing and overtime changes
 - §133.41(t) – allows hospitals to provide outpatient dialysis services when a disaster is declared
 - §133.41(w) – requires hospitals to adopt/implement/enforce policies related to the employment of surgical technologists
 - §133.49* – hospitals must submit HAI/PAE reports in accordance with requirements of Texas H&SC §§98.103, 98.104, and 98.1045 (NOTE: proposed rules to specify requirements have not been published yet).

- **07/02/10: TITLE 25. HEALTH SERVICES PART I. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES CHAPTER 135. AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS SUBCHAPTER A. OPERATING REQUIREMENTS FOR AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS**
 - §135.2(21) – add definition for surgical technologist
 - §135.15 – requires adoption, implement, and enforce policies related to employment of surgical technologists
 - §135.26* -- must report certain HAI/PAE's in accordance with requirements of Texas H&SC §§98.103, 98.104, and 98.1045 (NOTE: proposed rules to specify requirements have not been published yet).

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