

**DFW-APIC Government Affairs Committee (GAC)  
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**NATIONAL ISSUES**

REMINDER: Read your weekly APIC E-News and visit APIC's Public Policy page for updates on federal issues

**APIC Public Policy (2014)**

<http://apic.org/Advocacy/Government-Affairs-and-Advocacy>

**APIC E-News (2014)**

<http://apic.org/Member-Services/Publications/E-News>

<b>Recent APIC E-News and Public Policy Updates</b>	
9/3/2014	CMS releases final FY 2015 IPPS, IRF PPS, and IPF PPS rules: APIC summarizes infection provisions
9/3/2014	APIC provides input to CMS on hospital outpatient, ASC, and ESRD payment rules
9/3/2014	CMS memo updates surveyors on steam sterilization
8/20/2014	AHRQ releases publication on HAI research methods and implementation approaches

**Texas Register (2014)**

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

No new points of interest since last report.

**Texas HAI/PAE Reporting Resources:**

Be sure and check the website below at least monthly for updated information on facility requirements and/or sign up for e-mail updates:

**Texas HAI Homepage and HAI Reporting Information:**

[http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/idcu/health/infection\\_control/hai/](http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/idcu/health/infection_control/hai/)

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