

Re: REPORTING CLABSI per HOSPITAL REPORT CARD ACT

From: GALE ELDER
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Subject: Hospital Report Card Act

The enclosed [memorandum and attachments](#) contain very important information regarding Public Act 93-563, the Hospital Report Card Act, and mandated reporting of infection indicators. The Public Act requires that all general acute care hospitals in Illinois submit data using methodology based on a scientifically valid national reporting system. The Department has decided to use the National Health Safety Network (NHSN) of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) for reporting of central line bloodstream infection (CLABSI) in the MICU, SICU or combined ICU's. At this time, the Department is not requiring reporting from the NICU or PICU. The rationale for using the NHSN reporting system is outlined in Attachment I to the memorandum.

Please read the memo and attachments and insure they are distributed to the appropriate hospital personnel. The Department looks forward to working with you and your organization to continue to provide safe and quality patient care.

If you have any questions concerning this communication, please do not hesitate to contact Mary Driscoll, Chief of the IDPH Division of Patient Safety and Quality, at 312-793-2051 or mary.driscoll@illinois.gov.

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