

1 AN ACT concerning public health.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Public Health Powers and
5 Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is
6 amended by changing Section 2310-312 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2310/2310-312)

8 Sec. 2310-312. Multidrug-Resistant Organisms. The
9 Department shall perform the following functions in relation to
10 the prevention and control of Multidrug-Resistant Organisms
11 (MDROs), including methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*
12 (MRSA), vancomycin-resistant (VRE) and certain gram-negative
13 bacilli (GNB), as these terms are referenced by the United
14 States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

15 (1) Except with regard to hospitals, for which
16 administrative rules shall be adopted in accordance with
17 Section 6.23 of the Hospital Licensing Act and Section 7 of
18 the University of Illinois Hospital Act, the Department
19 shall adopt administrative rules for health care
20 facilities subject to licensure, certification,
21 registration, or other regulation by the Department that
22 may require one or more types of those facilities to (i)
23 perform an annual infection control risk assessment, (ii)

1 develop infection control policies for MDROs that are based
2 on this assessment and incorporate, as appropriate,
3 updated recommendations of the U.S. Centers for Disease
4 Control and Prevention for the prevention and control of
5 MDROs, and (iii) enforce hand hygiene requirements.

6 (2) The Department shall:

7 (A) publicize guidelines for reducing the
8 incidence of MDROs to health care providers, health
9 care facilities, public health departments, prisons,
10 jails, and the general public; and

11 (B) provide periodic reports and updates to public
12 officials, health professionals, and the general
13 public statewide regarding new developments or
14 procedures concerning prevention and management of
15 infections due to MDROs.

16 (3) The Department shall publish a yearly report
17 regarding MRSA and Clostridium difficile infections based
18 on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's
19 National Healthcare Safety Network surveillance system or
20 its successor ~~the Hospital Discharge Dataset~~. The
21 Department is authorized to require hospitals, based on
22 guidelines developed by the National Center for Health
23 Statistics, after October 1, 2007, to submit data to the
24 Department that is coded as "present on admission" and
25 "occurred during the stay".

26 (4) Reporting to the Department under the Hospital

1 Report Card Act shall include organisms, including but not
2 limited to MRSA, that are responsible for central venous
3 catheter-associated bloodstream infections and
4 ventilator-associated pneumonia in designated hospital
5 units.

6 (5) The Department shall implement surveillance for
7 designated cases of community associated MRSA infections
8 for a period of at least 3 years, beginning on or before
9 January 1, 2008.

10 (Source: P.A. 95-282, eff. 8-20-07.)