

ORIGINAL LANGUAGE IN THE LAW:

"Each health facility shall report quarterly to the department all health-care-associated surgical site infections of deep or organ space surgical sites, health-care-associated infections of orthopedic surgical sites, cardiac surgical sites, and gastrointestinal surgical sites designated as clean and clean-contaminated, and the number of surgeries involving deep or organ space, and orthopedic, cardiac, and gastrointestinal surgeries designated clean and clean-contaminated."

PROPOSED AMENDMENT MENU:

12.88.55 (a)(3) Each health facility shall report quarterly to the department all health-care-associated surgical site infections that meet CDC/NHSN [~~criteria for both~~¹] definitions and methodology for deep incisional or organ/space infections following orthopedic, cardiac, and gastrointestinal

- surgeries designated as clean and clean-contaminated operative procedures².
- types of operative procedures designated as clean and clean-contaminated.³
- surgeries.⁴

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- The number of surgeries of each of these types must also be reported for the same period⁵
 - The number of surgeries for each category of procedures shall be reported for the same period.⁶

Infections as defined in (a)(3) following:

- (A) Knee prosthesis/arthroplasty;
- (B) Hip prosthesis/arthroplasty;
- (C) CABG and/or cardiac valve replacement via median sternotomy;
- (D) Elective colon resection vs. colon resection⁷;

shall be reported separately to the department via NHSN.⁸

- The department, in consultation with the HAI-AC, shall annually add to subsection 1288.55(a)(4) one or more surgical site procedures to be reported to CDC/NHSN.⁹
- On an annual basis these selected procedures being reported will be reviewed by the HAI-AC, who will make recommendations to the department.¹⁰

¹ Murthy, Torriani, Nelson suggest adding those three words. There is consensus on the remaining words through 'gastrointestinal'.

² Consumer version 2

³ Murthy, Nelson

⁴ Cahill "Clean and clean-contaminated is eliminated because CABG and joint replacement arthroplasties are not performed if there is a preexisting infection at the surgical site."

⁵ Consumer version 2

⁶ Cahill

⁷ Chen and Cahill: NHSN does not have a way to categorize "elective" colon resections. New York State requires reporting of colon surgeries.

⁸ CDPH

⁹ Consumer version 2

¹⁰ Delahanty

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d) Health facilities that report data pursuant to the system shall report this data to the NHSN and the department, **as appropriate**. [*Note: none of the below bullets were accepted.*]

- The department has the authority, in consultation with the HAI-AC, to develop and require compliance with specific instructions to health facilities necessary to enable effective reporting.¹¹
- The department, with consultation w/ the HAI-AC, may annually delete from or add to subsection 1288.55(a)(3) a category or categories of surgical site infections to be reported to NHSN or to the department, including development of specific directions noted to enable effective reporting.¹²
- Health facilities that report data pursuant to this section shall report this data to the department either through NHSN or directly to the department. For any specific data, following consultation with the HAI Advisory Committee, the department will determine the appropriate method of reporting. This determination shall be exempt from the administrative regulation and rulemaking requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, and shall be implemented without being adopted as a regulation, except that the department shall inform hospitals of the appropriate method of reporting at least 30 days prior to the initiation of reporting.¹³

OTHER COMMENTARY:

ECK: Recommends inclusion of the following language:

- The CA HAI Advisory Committee recommends to Senator Alquist that she recommend as a technical amendment to SB 1058 solely the following language which the Committee has agreed is necessary to interpret and properly implement the law.

WINSTON: I am in support of revised language that specifies particular orthopedic, gastrointestinal, and cardiac procedures for four reasons. 1) Other surveillance initiatives target these areas, as do other states, so there are already mechanisms in place, and external benchmarks are available for comparison. 2) Procedures must be specified so that hospitals are reporting the same information; otherwise, the data will be meaningless. 3) Hospitals will be much more motivated to report completely and accurately if the scope and the purpose are clear and easily understood. 4) Resources dedicated to these endeavors will be redirected from other patient care and patient safety activities. We cannot afford to divert people with time consuming activities that are not likely to yield benefits for patients. Care could easily get worse rather than better. As an example, the City and County of San Francisco is looking at ~ \$11 million in mid year cuts for our hospital and public health. There is a hiring freeze, and no new personnel will be available to help carry out these mandates.

¹¹ Consumer version 2: We removed MODIFY because the general language is intended to allow for modification of procedures and processes in the reporting system. To allow for categories of surgical procedures to be deleted (as proposed) would be a substantive change.

¹² Modified Cahill – from 11/24 meeting

¹³ CDPH