

Amendment to HB 1246

1 Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following and renumbering the original section 2 to
2 read as 3:

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4 2 Residential Care and Health Facility Licensing; Reporting of Health Care Associated
5 Infections. Amend RSA 151:33, III and IV to read as follows:

6 III. Subsequent to the initial requirements identified in paragraphs II, II-a, or II-b, the
7 department shall, from time to time, require the tracking and reporting of other types of infections
8 **and measures** when reporting protocols are identified by the department, that occur in hospitals,
9 end-stage renal dialysis centers, and ambulatory surgical facilities in consultation with technical
10 advisors, **which shall include the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC),**
11 **Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Hospital Inpatient Quality Reporting**
12 **Program, and the National Quality Forum,** who are regionally or nationally-recognized experts
13 in the prevention, identification, and control of health care associated infections and the reporting of
14 performance data. **All required tracking and reporting of other types of infections and**
15 **measures shall be consistent with the requirements supported by the CDC, CMS Hospital**
16 **Inpatient Quality Reporting Program, or the National Quality Forum.**

17 IV. The commissioner of the department shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, for
18 hospital, end-stage renal dialysis center, nursing and residential care facility, the New Hampshire
19 veterans' home, assisted living residence, and ambulatory surgical facility identification, tracking,
20 and reporting of infections, **measures,** and/or coverage rates of influenza vaccinations as required in
21 this section which shall be consistent with the recommendations of recognized centers of expertise in
22 the identification and prevention of infections including, but not limited to the National Health Care
23 Safety Network and the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee of the Centers
24 for Disease Control and Prevention or its successor, the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of
25 Healthcare Organizations, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Hospital Quality
26 Alliance, the National Quality Forum, and the New Hampshire health care quality assurance
27 commission under RSA 151-G.