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MEDICAL WASTE (AB-2335 SALDANA) (STATE)

Chaptered into Law - Chapter # 166, Statutes of 2006. This law better-defines Medical Waste. Refer to following web pages.

<http://chi.org/legislative/state/AB2335.aspx>

http://info.sen.ca.gov/pub/05-06/bill/asm/ab_2301-2350/ab_2335_cfa_20060619_152924_sen_comm.html

DID YOU KNOW???

Did you know that CACC (California APIC Coordinating Council) has a Public Policy Committee because CACC is increasingly

<http://www.cacc.net/Public%20Policy.htm>

recognized as the authoritative voice for Infection Control in the State of California Membership consists of some very illustrious folks: Mary Mendelsohn, Frank Myers, Shelly Morris, Shannon Oriola, Chris Cahill, Marian McDonald

SB-739 (STATE)

Go to the link shown below to view a PowerPoint applicable for administrators and staff. One part of this new law that some may not know is that it requires acute care facilities to have a Seasonal Flu Plan as well as a Pandemic Flu Plan in place by July 1st.

http://www.cacc.net/How%20to%20Comply%20with%20SB%20739_hp.pps

REPROCESSING SINGLE-USE DEVICES

View a list of both legally and illegally marketed single-use devices go to the following site:

http://www.apic.org/content/NavigationMenu/PracticeGuidance/FDA_Reprocessing_SUD_Lists.xls

PUPIL VACCINES (AB-16 HERNANDEZ) (STATE)

Existing law prohibits the governing authority of a school or other institution from unconditionally admitting any person as a pupil of any private or public elementary or secondary school, child care

center, day nursery, nursery school, family day care home, or development center, unless prior to his or her first admission to that institution he or she has been fully immunized against various diseases. This

http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/07-08/bill/asm/ab_0001-0050/ab_16_bill_20070502_amended_asm_v94.pdf

bill would, commencing July 1, 2009, repeal those provisions to, in part, prohibit a governing board from unconditionally admitting a pupil unless prior to his or her first admission, the pupil has been fully immunized in accordance with the 2007 recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). See below.

ISOLATION PRECAUTIONS (CDC)

The long-awaited Revised Isolation Precautions Guidelines should be released sometime during the week of 5-9-07.

HIV TESTING (AB-682 BERG) (STATE)

Introduced in February 2007. This bill would delete one provision from existing

HIV law: A special consent for

http://info.sen.ca.gov/pub/bill/asm/ab_0651-0700/ab_682_bill_20070221_introduced.html

the testing of HIV will not be required. Verbal communication to the patient that HIV will be tested is sufficient. All other provisions of HIV laws would remain unchanged.

VACCINATIONS (AB-106 BERG) (STATE)

This bill, still in Committees, would require general acute care hospitals, pursuant to its own standardized procedures and if it has the vaccine in its possession, each year, from October 1 to the following April 1, , to offer, prior to discharge, immunizations for influenza and pneumococcal disease to its inpatients, aged 65 years or older.

HPV INSURANCE COVERAGE (AB-1429 EVANS) (STATE)

This bill would require health plans and insurers to cover the cost of vaccinating young girls for cervical cancer. In late April, this passed one committee and is being sent to the Assembly Committee on Appropriations

http://info.sen.ca.gov/pub/07-08/bill/asm/ab_0001-0050/ab_16_cfa_20070309_153906_asm_comm.html

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