

**SB0069**



**103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

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Introduced 1/20/2023, by Sen. Laura Fine

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

210 ILCS 85/6.26

Amends the Hospital Licensing Act. Requires every hospital to adopt an influenza and pneumococcal immunization policy that includes procedures for identifying patients age 50 or older for influenza immunization and 65 or older for pneumococcal immunization (rather than just for identifying patients age 65 or older).

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**A BILL FOR**

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

4 Section 5. The Hospital Licensing Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 6.26 as follows:

6 (210 ILCS 85/6.26)

7 Sec. 6.26. Immunization against influenza virus and  
8 pneumococcal disease.

9 (a) Every hospital shall adopt an influenza and  
10 pneumococcal immunization policy that includes, but need not  
11 be limited to, the following:

12 (1) Procedures for identifying patients age 50 ~~65~~ or  
13 older for influenza immunization and 65 or older for  
14 pneumococcal immunization and, at the discretion of the  
15 facility, other patients at risk.

16 (2) Procedures for offering immunization against  
17 influenza virus when available between September 1 and  
18 April 1, and against pneumococcal disease upon admission  
19 or discharge, to patients in accordance with the  
20 recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization  
21 Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and  
22 Prevention that are most recent to the time of  
23 vaccination, unless contraindicated.

1           (3) Procedures for ensuring that patients offered  
2 immunization, or their guardians, receive information  
3 regarding the risks and benefits of vaccination.

4           The hospital shall provide a copy of its influenza and  
5 pneumococcal immunization policy to the Department upon  
6 request.

7           (b) A home rule unit may not regulate immunization against  
8 influenza virus and pneumococcal disease in a manner  
9 inconsistent with the regulation of such immunizations under  
10 this Section. This subsection is a limitation under subsection  
11 (i) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution on  
12 the concurrent exercise by home rule units of powers and  
13 functions exercised by the State.

14           (Source: P.A. 98-271, eff. 1-1-14.)