

SB 130 - AS INTRODUCED

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SENATE BILL **130**

AN ACT relative to participation in the immunization registry.

SPONSORS: Sen. Kelly, Dist 10

COMMITTEE: Health and Human Services

ANALYSIS

This bill establishes an opt out option for participation in the immunization registry.

This bill is a request of the department of health and human services.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Communicable Disease; Immunization Registry. Amend RSA 141-C:20-f, III to read as
2 follows:

3 III. Physicians, nurses, and other health care providers may report an immunization to the
4 immunization registry [~~unless the patient, or the patient's parent or guardian if the patient is a~~
5 ~~minor, refuses to allow reporting of this information~~]. ***A patient, or the patient's parent or***
6 ***guardian if the patient is a minor shall be provided an opportunity to opt out of the***
7 ***registry by the health care provider. Such an opportunity shall be provided in writing in a***
8 ***clear and conspicuous manner, including , but not limited to, simple opt out language in a***
9 ***font and size easily readable by the average adult reader so that the individual may make***
10 ***his or her decision known. Physicians, nurses, and other health care providers shall***
11 ***submit a form provided by the commissioner to the department executed by the patient, or***
12 ***the patient's parent or guardian if the patient is a minor, of his or her decision to opt out of***
13 ***the registry.***

14 2 Communicable Disease; Immunization Registry. Amend RSA 141-C:20-f, VI to read as follows:

15 VI. The commissioner shall adopt rules under RSA 541-A concerning the following:

16 (a) The establishment and maintenance of the immunization registry.

17 (b) The methods for submitting and content of reports of immunizations.

18 (c) Procedures for the patient, or the patient's parent or guardian if the patient is a
19 minor, to [~~decline to participate~~] ***opt out of participation*** in the registry.

20 (d) ***Procedures for the registrant, or the registrant's parent or guardian if the***
21 ***registrant is a minor, to remove his or her information from the registry.***

22 (e) Procedures for the registrant, or the registrant's parent or guardian if the registrant
23 is a minor, to review and correct information contained in the registry.

24 [~~(e)~~] (f) Procedures for the registrant, or the registrant's parent or guardian if the
25 registrant is a minor, to withdraw [~~consent for participation at any time and to remove information~~
26 ~~from~~] ***his or her participation at anytime from*** the registry.

27 [~~(f)~~] (g) Limits on and methods of access to the registry by those authorized to gain access
28 under paragraph IV of this section.

29 [~~(g)~~] (h) Procedures for managed care organizations to obtain summary statistics of
30 immunization information on managed care organization members from the immunization registry.

31 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.