



Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Virginia Department of Health
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	12 VAC 5-410-200 and -1170
Regulation title	Rules and Regulations for the Licensure of Hospitals
Action title	To require hospitals to have policies related to infection prevention, disaster preparedness, and facility security.
Final agency action date	
Document preparation date	4/21/2011

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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

SB924 (2011) requires hospitals to have policies related to infection prevention, disaster preparedness, and facility security. Such policies support the current regulations pertaining to infection control, disaster preparedness and security.

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

Pursuant to § 32.1-20 of the Code of Virginia, on August 18, 2011, the State Health Commissioner signified her approval of this action, acting for the State Board of Health when it is not in session.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

There is no direct impact on the family.