
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 451D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§451D- Filing of electronic mail address. Every
5 individual applying for or renewing a license as a physician
6 under chapter 453, osteopath under chapter 453, physician
7 assistant under chapter 453, advanced practice registered nurse
8 under chapter 457, or naturopath under chapter 455 shall, at the
9 time of applying for licensure and renewal, provide the
10 licensing authority with a current electronic mail address in
11 the form and manner prescribed by the licensing authority;
12 provided that an applicant or licensee has an established
13 electronic mail address. It shall be the licensee's duty to
14 provide notice to the licensing authority of any change of
15 current electronic mail address with thirty days of the change.
16 The electronic mail addresses may be shared by the licensing
17 authority only with other state or federal agencies, upon
18 request, for purposes of public health and safety and may be



1 used by the licensing authority for any purpose related to the
2 license. Nothing herein shall be construed to modify the method
3 by which the licensing authority provides notice of any matter
4 required by law to be provided to the applicant or licensee."

5 SECTION 2. Section 325-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 "§325-2 **Physicians, laboratory directors, and health care**
8 **professionals to report.** Every physician or health care
9 professional having a client affected by or suspected of being
10 affected by a disease or condition declared to be communicable
11 or dangerous to the public health by the director of health
12 shall report the incidence or suspected incidence of such
13 disease or condition to the department of health in writing or
14 in the manner specified by the department of health. Every
15 laboratory director having laboratory data regarding an
16 individual affected by or suspected of being affected by a
17 disease or condition declared to be communicable or dangerous to
18 the public health shall report such diseases or conditions to
19 the department of health in writing or in a manner specified by
20 the health department[-]; provided that the laboratory data
21 reported to the department of health shall include the



1 individual's complete demographic information, including name,
2 date of birth, residential address, and phone number, obtained
3 and confirmed at the time of specimen collection for the
4 purposes of facilitating a public health investigation as
5 necessary by the department of health. Every physician,
6 laboratory director, or health care professional who [~~refuses or~~
7 ~~neglects to give such notice, or make such report,~~] violates
8 this section may be fined in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 per
9 violation, to be assessed by the director of health. The
10 director of health is authorized to impose the penalty pursuant
11 to this section."

12 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Health Care Professionals; Email; Licensure; Infectious Diseases; Reporting

Description:

Specifies that the laboratory data that a laboratory director shall report to the department of health regarding an individual affected by or suspected of being affected by a communicable or dangerous disease or condition shall include the individual's complete demographic information. Requires every physician, osteopath, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse, or naturopath to provide the licensing authority with a current electronic mail address at the time of applying for licensure and renewal. Allows the licensing authority of certain health care professional classes to share the electronic mail addresses with only other state or federal agencies, upon request, for purposes of public health and safety and to use the electronic mail address for any purpose related to the license. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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