

**DFW-APIC Government Affairs Committee
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APIC Public Policy and E-News Highlights (2023)

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1/26/2023	Recent data show Evusheld is unlikely to be active against certain SARS-CoV-2 variants, which are responsible for 90% of current COVID-19 infections. The F.D.A. is no longer authorizing its use in the U.S.
1/11/2023	A joint CDC/FDA investigation has identified seven linked cases of sepsis after transfusion from bacterially contaminated platelet blood products since 2018. The cases occurred in multiple states and genetic testing of isolates by the CDC found with high probability that the organisms were related and had a potential common source. Read the FDA safety alert and CDC guidance on preventing sepsis.
1/4/2023	The FDA is providing additional information about two recent issues in certain reworked Philips Respironics (Philips) Trilogy 100 and Trilogy 200 ventilators. These Philips Trilogy 100 and Trilogy 200 ventilators were recalled in June 2021 for issues with the polyester-based polyurethane (PE-PUR) sound abatement foam breakdown. Read the FDA safety communication.

Texas Register and Legislation (2022-2023)

http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml		Key: X Pending		
Last Review Completed: 1/27/2023				
Current Search Parameters for Review:				
25 TAC: Chapters 2, 97, 133, 135, 200 30 TAC: Chapter 330; Subchapter Y				
X	Date Filed	Action	Title/Ch./Rules/SB/HB	Topic / Comments
X	11/15/22	proposed	25 TAC §133.53	Requires hospitals licensed under Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 241 to disclose price information and maintain & make publicly available a list of standard charges for certain hospital items and services. Includes publishing the list or a link to the list in a prominent location on the home page of the hospital's website.
X	1/25/23	filed	HB 1593	Requires infection prevention and control programs and other measures for communicable diseases at certain long-term care facilities; authorizes an administrative penalty.
X	1/23/23	filed	HB 1522	Requires the compilation and publication of information on confirmed or probable cases of reportable diseases.
X	11/18/22	filed	HB 777	Prohibits face covering mandates for public school students, prohibits public schools from requiring students to provide documentation of COVID-19 vaccination, and allows public schools to implement COVID-19 screening & infection control protocols.
X	1/12/23	filed	HB1313	Relating to a study on the side effects, adverse reactions, including death, and the effectiveness of vaccines against the SARS-CoV-2 virus (COVID-19) or its variants.