

Pennsylvania Event Reporting

- Act 13 – 2002
 - Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers and birth centers
 - 3 types of things to report
- Act 52 – 2007
 - Hospitals and nursing homes
 - Healthcare – Associated Infections (HAI) are automatic serious events

Things to Report

- “Incident.” An event, occurrence or situation involving the clinical care of a patient in a medical facility which could have injured a patient but did not either cause an unanticipated injury or require the delivery of additional health care services to the patient. The term does not include a serious event.
- “Infrastructure failure.” An undesirable or unintended event, occurrence or situation involving the infrastructure of a medical facility or the discontinuation or significant disruption of a service which could seriously compromise patient safety.

Serious Event

- “Serious event.” An event, occurrence or situation involving the clinical care of a patient in a medical facility that results in death or compromises patient safety and results in an unanticipated injury requiring the delivery of additional health care services to the patient. The term does not include an incident.
 - Unanticipated
 - Injury
 - Additional health care services

Frequency

- Serious Events
 - 8,270 in 2009
 - 4.62/1,000 discharges

- Hospital HAI
 - 25,914 in 2009
 - 13.43/1,000 discharges

Investigations

- Complaints and whistleblowers
- Audits
- EMRs and WebEx
- Other data sources
 - PHC4
 - Insurer Data