

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS25071

As the different types of healthcare providers who are immunizing patients increases, it is important to have a consistent record of those immunizations to ensure optimum patient care. Without a record, a patient may receive multiple doses of the same vaccinations. This legislation simply requires that all providers who immunize patients in Idaho shall enter all immunizations, with the exception of adult influenza vaccines, into the Idaho Immunization Reminder Information System (IRIS).

This legislation does nothing to deny adult patients, or the parent or guardian of a child, the right to opt out of inclusion in the IRIS registry. Further, this is not an effort to increase the number of vaccinations in Idaho. The objective is to maintain and enhance an integrated health care system in Idaho which shares information for the benefit of patients who choose to allow their records to be included.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have no fiscal impact.

Contact:

Susie Pouliot
Office: Idaho Medical Association
(208) 344-7888

DISCLAIMER: This statement of purpose and fiscal note are a mere attachment to this bill and prepared by a proponent of the bill. It is neither intended as an expression of legislative intent nor intended for any use outside of the legislative process, including judicial review (Joint Rule 18).