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### **Bill Addresses Substance Abuse Treatment Records**

On July 28, Representative Tim Murphy (R-PA) introduced the Overdose Prevention and Patient Safety Act ([H.R. 3545](#)), IHA-supported legislation, which reforms 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 2, known as "Part 2", to align all substance use treatment record use and disclosure for treatment, payment and healthcare operations to the requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). The legislation would end the regulatory separation of substance use records from other medical records to support integrated care and ensure that information about substance use disorders is made available to medical professionals treating and prescribing medication to a patient.

Regulatory changes to 42 CFR Part 2, originally promulgated in 1975, took effect in March of this year and attempted to promote health integration and permit appropriate research and data exchange activities, although many stakeholders believed the final rules could have gone further toward alignment with HIPAA. The Partnership to Amend 42 CFR Part 2, a [coalition of stakeholders](#) supporting the Overdose Prevention and Patient Safety Act, includes national organizations like the American Hospital Association, America's Health Insurance Plans, American Psychiatric Association, the Joint Commission, American Society of Addiction Medicine, and the National Rural Health Association.

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### **IDPH Offers Seminar on Life Safety Code**

The Illinois Dept. of Public Health (IDPH) will be hosting a free three-day seminar on the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 2012 Life Safety Code on Aug. 23-25 in Springfield. The training is designed to increase understanding, application and proper use of the 2012 edition of NFPA 101, with a specific focus on healthcare occupancies.

The seminar, limited to one person per facility, is open to

healthcare facilities licensed in Illinois and those that are part of the Plan Review Process. Continuing education credits will be awarded to those who attend all three days. Further details, including the registration form and hotel information, can be found on the IDPH [website](#).

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### **IHA's Weekly Regional Roundup**

This week, the city of Chicago filed a federal lawsuit to prevent the U.S. Dept. of Justice from making a federal crime prevention grant conditional on immigration enforcement actions. Elsewhere, Will County's director of Substance Abuse Initiatives provided an update on the opioid crisis. Also, the DuPage County Health Department announced the receipt of three national awards. [Click here](#) to read more.

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### **IHA Leadership Summit: Hotel Discount Ends Aug. 21**

Planning an overnight stay for the 2017 IHA Leadership Summit? There's just over a week left for the IHA room block rate at The Westin Lombard Yorktown Center. [Click here](#) to book your room, or call the hotel at 888-627-9031 by 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 21 for a reduced rate.

This year's Summit will be Tuesday, Sept. 12 and Wednesday, Sept. 13 at the Westin in west suburban Lombard, and is themed [All In: Insight, Innovation, Inspiration](#). With a focus on innovation, the Summit's opening and closing sessions will explore successful efforts to innovate and achieve high-impact change:

- Noted health policy expert Susan Dentzer will present opportunities for innovation in today's challenging policy environment; and
- A panel discussion with innovation experts from Illinois and around the country will discuss innovating to improve clinical results and reduce costs.

Leaders organization-wide are encouraged to attend the Summit to take advantage of the expanded educational opportunities. Four new session tracks will explore consumerism, delivery system and payment model innovation, leadership and governance, and quality and performance improvement.

Also new this year are ACHE Face-to-Face Credit sessions on sustainability and physician-hospital integration. If you haven't registered yet, [click here](#). The early-bird registration discount ends Friday, Sept. 1.

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