

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Public Health Administration has submitted a pending rule set to the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (MOAHR) that introduces reporting requirements for chronic conditions. With contribution from stakeholders, the draft rule set language was developed and submitted to MOAHR on March 27, 2023.

In summary, the draft rule set introduces mandatory chronic disease reporting through the establishment of a Chronic Disease Registry Advisory Board that is responsible for making recommendations on specific chronic conditions, such as stroke, hypertension, or diabetes, where a demonstrated public health need has been identified. Recommendations are made to the MDHHS director for their formal approval to add, remove, or modify the list of reportable chronic conditions. Given the existing health information technology infrastructure within Michigan, requirements for reporting chronic conditions will largely rely on health information exchanges to deliver reportable health information and minimize the burden placed directly on healthcare providers and facilities. Establishing reporting requirements for chronic conditions is a necessary step in expanding chronic disease surveillance capacity with the use of the 'Chronic Disease Registry Leveraging Electronic Health Record Data' (CHRONICLE). We are confident that with the institution of the proposed rules, chronic disease monitoring will be improved to more effectively support public health needs and efforts to reduce chronic disease burden and poor health outcomes.

On January 17, 2024, a public hearing will be held to receive comments on the proposed Chronic Disease Reporting rule set. We invite you to review the rule set and accompanying documents and submit public comments regarding the proposed rules. [The draft rule set, regulatory impact statement, and the notice of public hearing for the Chronic Disease Reporting rules can be found here.](#) Comments on these proposed rules may be made at the hearing, by mail (at 333 South Grand Avenue, 2nd Floor, Lansing, MI 48933), or by electronic mail (at MDHHS-AdminRules@michigan.gov) until 1/19/2024 at 05:00PM.

If you would like more information on the administrative rulemaking process, please refer to the [JCAR webpage](#) or the [MOAHR webpage](#). If you have questions about the proposed rules that you would like answered off the record, please direct those questions to Beth Anderson (AndersonB@michigan.gov).

Department of Health and Human Services
Public Health Administration
Administrative Rules for Chronic Disease Reporting
Rule Set 2022-24 HS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

09:00 AM

Rooms 1K/1L

333 South Grand Avenue, Lansing MI 48933

The Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Chronic Disease Reporting rule set.

These new rules are intended to address reporting requirements for chronic conditions. Establishing this requirement is necessary for MDHHS to leverage electronic health record (EHR) data that is already shared between Michigan health systems and health information exchanges (HIEs). The ADT messages will populate the 'Chronic Disease Registry Leveraging Electronic Health Record Data' (CHRONICLE) housed within the Michigan Disease Surveillance System (MDSS). With the institution of reporting requirements for chronic conditions, CHRONICLE is expected to significantly improve chronic disease surveillance capacity for MDHHS and our partners and will have other public health applications as the system is further expanded or additional conditions are approved.

By authority conferred on the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services sections 2221, 2226, 2233, and 5111 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.2221, 333.2226, 333.2233, 333.5111, and section 8 of the critical health problems reporting act, 1978 PA 312, MCL 325.78.

The proposed rules will take effect immediately after filing with the Secretary of State. The proposed rules are published on the State of Michigan's website at www.michigan.gov/ARD and in the 1/15/2024 issue of the Michigan Register. Copies of these proposed rules may also be obtained by mail or electronic mail at the following email address: MDHHS-AdminRules@michigan.gov.

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The public hearing will be conducted in compliance with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act. If the hearing is held at a physical location, the building will be accessible with handicap parking available. Anyone needing assistance to take part in the hearing due to disability may call 517-335-4276 to make arrangements.