Governor releases new executive orders seeking data

AzHHA is evaluating the latest executive order released yesterday by Arizona Governor Doug Ducey. The order - Executive Order 2020-23 - requires hospitals to report new data elements to EMResource and revises some of the existing data elements. The executive order also allows the Arizona Department of Health Services to access data from the state’s health information exchange (HIE) organization, Health Current.

AzHHA recognizes the need for ADHS to have access to reliable data to drive decision making. However, the data collection and reporting processes must be efficient, and the data elements must be meaningful and actionable.

AzHHA is seeking clarification on whether Health Current can extract certain data elements from the HIE, which would mitigate the administrative burden on hospitals of collecting and reporting new data elements.

A separate executive order - Executive Order 2020-22 - requires long term care facilities, including nursing homes, to develop policies and procedures to facilitate the admission and readmission of residents who can be safely discharged from an acute care hospital without the requirement of a negative COVID-19 test result. The executive order also requires long term care facilities to report certain data elements to EMResource.

COVID-19 updates

Ensure your hospital response team is on AzHHA’s COVID-19 member advisory distribution list. Visit our website https://www.azhha.org/covid19 and sign up to receive future member advisories and COVID-19 updates.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic status, AzHHA is sharing its member advisory with all Arizona hospital and healthcare members to get you the information you need to care for patients in your communities.

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