FORM APA2 11/96

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Department of Public Health

RULE NUMBER AND TITLE: 420-4-5 Healthcare-Associated Infections Reporting

INTENDED ACTION: Amend Rule

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The Mike Denton Infection Reporting Act requires that the Alabama Department of Public Health shall promulgate rules and regulations to facilitate the mandatory reporting and collection of specific healthcare-associated infections by healthcare facilities for inpatients; outpatient HAI data are not reportable at this time. The amendment clarifies that only inpatient HAI data are to be collected and reported.

TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: A public hearing will be held on October 6, 2010 at 201 Monroe Street, RSA Tower, Suite 1540, Montgomery, AL 36104 at 9:00 a.m.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENTS AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: Written or oral comments will be received until the close of the record at 5:00 p.m. on November 4, 2010. All comments and requests for copies of the proposed amendments should be addressed to the contact person listed below.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Kelly Stevens, Director of Epidemiology, Department of Public Health, 201 Monroe Street, Suite 1460, Montgomery, Alabama 36104. Telephone number (334) 206-7934.

John R. Wible, Agency Secretary