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Nursing Home Compare Changes: April and July 2011

This CMS memorandum identifies forthcoming changes to Nursing Home Compare required by the Affordable Care Act and provides details of changes including: information to facilitate reporting of complaints, additional information on residents' rights, and facility-specific listing of number of complaints and enforcement actions taken against the facility.



[View the Memorandum](#)

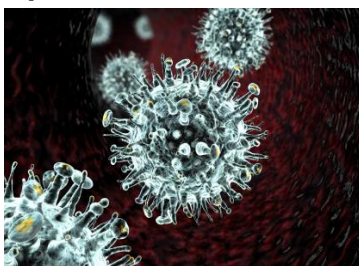
Diabetes 2025: U.S., State And Metropolitan Trends



The Institute for Alternative Futures (IAF) has prepared estimates of the burden of diabetes in the years 2000, 2010, 2015 and 2025, for each of the 50 states plus 13 major metropolitan areas. These projections underscore the need for immediate and aggressive action to help prevent diabetes whenever possible in those at risk, and improve the U.S. health care system to more effectively address the needs of people with diabetes.

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Updated Norovirus Outbreak Management and Disease Prevention Guidelines



Noroviruses are the most common cause of epidemic gastroenteritis, responsible for at least 50% of all gastroenteritis outbreaks worldwide, and a major cause of foodborne illness. In the United States, approximately 21 million illnesses attributable to norovirus are estimated to occur annually. This report reviews these recent advances and provides guidelines for outbreak management and disease prevention.

[Read the Report](#)



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Free Patient Safety Video Released

The Joint Commission released the first in a series of animated Speak Up™ videos in March to encourage patients to speak up and be active participants in their health care. Free downloadable files of all Speak Up brochures and posters (including Spanish language versions of the brochures) are available on The Joint Commission website.

[Watch the Videos/Request the free Downloads](#)



ADA's New Kids Eat Right Website

KIDS eat right.



Your source for scientifically-based health and nutrition information you can trust to help your child grow healthy. As a parent or caretaker you need reliable resources and you can find them here, backed by the expertise of nutrition professionals.

[View the new Kids Eat Right Website](#)

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National Nursing Home Week: May 8 through May 14

"Fulfilling the Promise" will be the theme for 2011 National Nursing Home Week (NNHW): to honor those who are serving others, adding value to life and helping overcome many of the infirmities of age and disability. NNHW spotlights nursing home residents and staff and encourages all to celebrate those that make a positive contribution every day.

[Get Ready with Tools from AHCA](#)

