

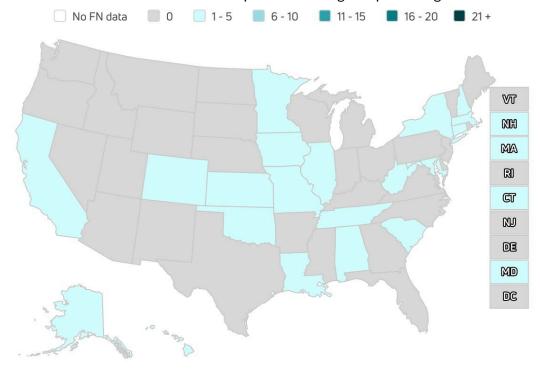
AIM Legislative Round-up: May 6, 2024

Over 40 vaccine-related bills were considered by state legislatures across the country since our Legislative Round-up on April 22. Several pieces of legislation have passed, and numerous bills cleared their first chamber. Key legislation is summarized below.

Please reach out to AIM Chief Policy and Government Relations Officer Brent Ewig at bewig@immunizationmanagers.org if you need any assistance with bills in your jurisdiction.

Vaccine-related Legislation Movement: April 18 - May 1, 2024

The map chart details the total number of bills per state during this period regardless of status.



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Passed:

- OK HR 1042: This bill forbids the state from engaging in the enforcement of any requirements, instructions, mandates, recommendations, or guidance provided by the World Health Organization. Any mandates, recommendations, instructions, or communications or guidance from WHO cannot be used as the basis for any action.
- <u>IA HF 555</u>: This bill allows pharmacists with appropriate training and qualifications to provide any vaccination to those 18 years and older, HPV vaccines to those 12 years and older, and flu and "other emergency immunizations" to those 6 months and older.

• MD HB 76 & MD SB 18: These bills state pharmacists with appropriate training and qualifications can provide an influenza vaccine, COVID-19 vaccine, and any other vaccine "used in response to a public health emergency" to those 3 years and older.

Cleared One Chamber:

- <u>LA HB 815</u>: This bill would require that all descriptive advertising and promotional materials for vaccines created or displayed by the health department adhere to the United States Food and Drug Administration rules regarding commercial advertising.
- <u>LA HB 908</u>: This bill would prohibit discrimination based on a student's vaccination status, including allowing or denying participation inside and outside of the classroom and issuance of surveys to students relative to their vaccination status.
- NH HB 1213: This bill would remove the immunization requirements for childcare agencies.
- NH HB 1669: This bill would prohibit personally identifiable IIS data sharing with partner organizations, including other state's IIS, unless the department can ensure any withdrawals from the state IIS would be subsequently honored by the partner organizations.
- NH SB 402: This bill would allow pharmacists to administer influenza, COVID-19, and other FDA licensed vaccines without explicit approval from the general court.
- <u>IL SB 3378</u>: This bill would repeal the requirement for the Department of Public Health to provide school districts educational materials on meningococcal disease and meningococcal vaccines.
- <u>SC H 3988</u>: This bill would allow pharmacy technicians and pharmacy interns to administer vaccines under pharmacist supervision and reduce the age pharmacists can vaccinate down to 16 (from 18).

Newly Introduced:

- <u>CO HB 24-1465</u>: This bill would reduce the amount of ARPA funding appropriated to public health to use for immunization operating expenses.
- NY A 9886: This bill would require hospitals offer the flu vaccine to every admitted patient over 50 years old during flu season (currently required for patients over 65).

Failed:

- <u>CO HCR 24-1005</u>: This bill would have created a Parent's Bill of Rights, which included medical or religious exemptions from immunization requirements and the ability to opt out of any data collection.
- <u>LA HB 866</u>: This bill would have prohibited employment termination, denying of public services, segregation, discrimination, and penalties against someone who refused vaccination.

<u>Connecting the Dots: Legislative Sessions</u> is a compilation of resources to equip AIM members with information to respond to and prepare for legislative inquiries.

Please Note: AIM is striving to monitor fast-moving state legislative developments. The information included in this summary may not be comprehensive and is subject to change. Visit our <u>Policy Toolkit</u> to view all our legislative resources. If you are aware of missing information or need individualized support, please contact our Chief Policy Officer Brent Ewig (<u>bewig@immunizationmanagers.org</u>)