



AIM Legislative Round-up: April 24, 2026

Many state legislative sessions are moving into their closing chapters, and the pace of vaccine-related policy activity is beginning to shift accordingly. In some states, the focus is now on final negotiations and last-minute amendments. In others, the remaining weeks are shaping which proposals can still survive crossover, deadline, or adjournment pressure. AIM is tracking **431 bills** that were prefilled, introduced, or advanced in the legislative process since August 1 that could impact immunization programs. An overview of legislative movement over the last two weeks is provided below.

Enacted: 4 Bills and 1 Resolution (1 Veto Override)

- [KS HB 2004](#) requires the health department execute any requested data share agreements with U.S. Health and Human Services (HHS) as they request it without any condition or limitations (*Governor veto was overrode by legislature*)
- [KY SR 282](#) encourages all Kentuckians to be vaccinated
- [MD SB 385 and MD HB 637](#) authorizes the health secretary to make additional vaccine recommendations (outside of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices [ACIP]) that pharmacists can administer and that insurers must cover
- [ME HP 1384](#) allows pharmacists to administer all vaccine types to ages three and up, prohibits patient cost-sharing and removes certain references to ACIP
- [TN SB 2070 and TN HB 2243](#) prohibits health insurance entities from including a provider's patients with vaccine exemptions in the denominator of vaccine-related quality measures used to calculate provider reimbursement, ratings, incentive payments, or network status

Passed Second Chamber: 7 Bills

- [AZ HB 2248 and AZ SB 1016](#) broadly prohibits the requirement of any medical intervention, prohibiting discrimination against those who refuse medical interventions
- [AZ HB 2086](#) broadly prohibits all vaccine requirements and masks
- [HI HB 2313 and HI SB 3133](#) removes ACIP references in statutes related to insurance coverage and pharmacist scope of practice authority
- [IA SF 304](#) specifies that vaccinations do not fall under the scope of STI prevention care that minors can consent to without parental approval
- [NY A 10711 and NY S 9598](#) shifts various vaccine related statutes to reference regulations from the commissioner and medical societies like the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) and the American College of Physicians (ACP), in addition to ACIP
- [TN SB 1584 and TN HB 2569](#) requires hospitals to offer flu vaccination to patients aged 50+ (currently 65+) at discharge, along with pneumococcal disease vaccines

- [TN HB 638 and TN SB 1389](#) prohibits providers who participate in Medicaid from refusing to see patients due to their vaccine refusal

Passed First Chamber: 5 Bills

- [CT HB 5044](#) would remove reference to ACIP in various statutes and allow the commissioner to determine the schedule instead
- [IL SB 3487](#) would require that hospitals offer influenza vaccinations and pneumococcal vaccinations to all eligible patients (currently 50+ for influenza and 65+ for pneumococcal disease)
- [LA HB 1041](#) would enact the Louisiana Medical Freedom Act, prohibiting all medical mandates (apart from school requirements, although schools would no longer be able to exclude unvaccinated students during an outbreak)
- [NY A 2078](#) would add Hepatitis B as a required vaccine in post-secondary institutions
- [SC H 4189](#) would make several language changes to the health department statute, but amended to jointly include new definitions for "gene therapy," "vaccine," and "informed consent"

Newly Introduced: 7 Bills

- **Seven** new bills and resolutions were introduced:
 - DE HB 338 would shift the ACIP reference in the statute specifying insurance coverage without cost-sharing to instead reference ACIP recommendations "in effect on January 1, 2025"
 - IL HR 803 would establish June 28, 2026, as Hepatitis B Awareness Day, noting the importance of vaccination efforts
 - IL HR 810 would establish July 10th as Vaccine Awareness Day
 - LA SCR 37 would request the surgeon general to develop a plan related to obtaining informed consent for vaccinations
 - NY S 9893 would state that providers "shall" report adult vaccines in the IIS (current statute is "may" report)
 - PA SR 264 would declare April 6-12 as Public Health Week in the state, noting the benefits of vaccination
 - PA HB 2378 would require hospitals to offer flu vaccination to patients aged 50+ (currently 65+) at discharge, adding pneumococcal disease vaccines for those 65+ as well

Other Legislative Movement: 24 Bills

- **Twenty-four** bills that were previously introduced had some other form of legislative movement, short of passing the entire chamber (i.e., additional readings, additional cosponsors, committee assignments, and/or committee votes)

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

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