

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Patients' Right to Know Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 10 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 61/10)

7 Sec. 10. Physician profiles. The Department shall make  
8 available to the public a profile of each physician. The  
9 Department shall make this information available through an  
10 Internet web site and, if requested, in writing. The physician  
11 profile shall contain the following information:

12 (1) the full name of the physician;

13 (2) a description of any criminal convictions for  
14 felonies and Class A misdemeanors, as determined by the  
15 Department, within the most recent 10 ~~5~~ years. For the  
16 purposes of this Section, a person shall be deemed to be  
17 convicted of a crime if he or she pleaded guilty or if he  
18 was found or adjudged guilty by a court of competent  
19 jurisdiction;

20 (3) a description of any final Department disciplinary  
21 actions within the most recent 10 ~~5~~ years;

22 (4) a description of any final disciplinary actions by  
23 licensing boards in other states within the most recent 10

1       ~~5~~ years;

2           (5) a description of revocation or involuntary  
3 restriction of hospital privileges for reasons related to  
4 competence or character that have been taken by the  
5 hospital's governing body or any other official of the  
6 hospital after procedural due process has been afforded, or  
7 the resignation from or nonrenewal of medical staff  
8 membership or the restriction of privileges at a hospital  
9 taken in lieu of or in settlement of a pending disciplinary  
10 case related to competence or character in that hospital.  
11 Only cases which have occurred within the most recent 10 ~~5~~  
12 years shall be disclosed by the Department to the public;

13           (6) all medical malpractice court judgments and all  
14 medical malpractice arbitration awards in which a payment  
15 was awarded to a complaining party during the most recent  
16 10 ~~5~~ years and all settlements of medical malpractice  
17 claims in which a payment was made to a complaining party  
18 within the most recent 10 ~~5~~ years. A medical malpractice  
19 judgment or award that has been appealed shall be  
20 identified prominently as "Under Appeal" on the profile  
21 within 20 days of formal written notice to the Department.  
22 Information concerning all settlements shall be  
23 accompanied by the following statement: "Settlement of a  
24 claim may occur for a variety of reasons which do not  
25 necessarily reflect negatively on the professional  
26 competence or conduct of the physician. A payment in

1 settlement of a medical malpractice action or claim should  
2 not be construed as creating a presumption that medical  
3 malpractice has occurred." Nothing in this subdivision (6)  
4 shall be construed to limit or prevent the Disciplinary  
5 Board from providing further explanatory information  
6 regarding the significance of categories in which  
7 settlements are reported. Pending malpractice claims shall  
8 not be disclosed by the Department to the public. Nothing  
9 in this subdivision (6) shall be construed to prevent the  
10 Disciplinary Board from investigating and the Department  
11 from disciplining a physician on the basis of medical  
12 malpractice claims that are pending;

13 (7) names of medical schools attended, dates of  
14 attendance, and date of graduation;

15 (8) graduate medical education;

16 (9) specialty board certification. The toll-free  
17 number of the American Board of Medical Specialties shall  
18 be included to verify current board certification status;

19 (10) number of years in practice and locations;

20 (11) names of the hospitals where the physician has  
21 privileges;

22 (12) appointments to medical school faculties and  
23 indication as to whether a physician has a responsibility  
24 for graduate medical education within the most recent 10 ~~5~~  
25 years;

26 (13) information regarding publications in

1 peer-reviewed medical literature within the most recent 10  
2 ~~5~~ years;

3 (14) information regarding professional or community  
4 service activities and awards;

5 (15) the location of the physician's primary practice  
6 setting;

7 (16) identification of any translating services that  
8 may be available at the physician's primary practice  
9 location; and

10 (17) an indication of whether the physician  
11 participates in the Medicaid program.

12 (Source: P.A. 97-280, eff. 8-9-11.)