Metrics for Public Reporting Subcommittee

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Guidance for January, 2010 Healthcare-Associated Infection Report

- Report would be based hospital self-reported data external to NHSN: no external validation and lacks comparability
- Prior to April 2010:
 - Institutions were not provided with adequate standardization for data collection; issues: case finding methodology and determination of denominator differ
 - No stratification or risk adjustment for measures, e.g. case-mix, type of hospitals
- Current state law: requires adjusted rates

Guidance for January, 2010 Healthcare-Associated Infection Report

- Difficulty with repeating collection of hospitalwide data of CLA-BSI since hospitals were given the option of reporting a variety of data
- Aggregate data would also be invalid
- Recommend: June 2011 reporting of hospitallevel to enable standardized NHSN data collection and risk stratificiation