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## LEGISLATIVE RULE (LAC 48:V. 8501-8513)

### Statewide Tumor Registry Program

#### 8501 Purpose

Louisiana established a “statewide registry program for reporting cancer cases for the purpose of gathering statistical data to aid in the assessment of the presence, extent, possible causes of specific cancers, and other related aspects of cancer...in Louisiana.”

#### 8505 Participation in the Program

All hospitals, pathology laboratories, radiation centers, physicians, dermatology offices, nursing homes, and other licensed health care facilities and providers shall participate in the cancer registry program.

#### 8507 Cancer Case Reporting

If a facility fails to provide the required information in the format specified by the Louisiana Tumor Registry or if the data are of unacceptable quality, personnel from the Louisiana Tumor Registry may enter the facility to screen and abstract this information. In these cases, the facility shall reimburse the Louisiana Tumor Registry or its contractor the actual cost of screening, abstracting, coding and editing, which is \$40 per case or the actual cost, whichever is greater.

#### 8509 Confidentiality

Health care providers who disclose cancer morbidity or mortality information to the Louisiana Tumor Registry or its employees in conformity with the law shall not be subject to actions for damages. Their licenses shall not be denied, suspended or revoked for good-faith release of confidential information to the Louisiana Tumor Registry.

All confidential data procured or prepared by employees of the Office of Public Health shall be used solely for statistical, scientific and medical research purposes.

**PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THIS IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF THE ACTUAL LEGISLATIVE RULE. A COMPLETE COPY OF THE LAW CAN BE OBTAINED BY CALLING THE LOUISIANA TUMOR REGISTRY 504-568-5757.**