



American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC)
for Infectious Disease Program
Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAIs)
Grantee Meeting

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Current HAI Landscape

- Financial:
 - Recovery Act \$50 Million
 - FY09 increases \$7.5M CDC
 - FY10, 11 budget initiatives
- Key Activities and Influences:
 - HHS Action Plan
 - AHRQ, CMS, HHS
 - State Plans
 - Consumers
 - Scientific partners, quality partners, healthcare interests
- Administrative Branch interest:
 - White House/OMB interest
- Legislative Interest:
 - GAO
 - Healthcare reform
 - Mandated reporting (Natl and State)



Federal Legislation



- Congress: Health Reform
 - Health reform bills propose mandatory national public reporting
 - HAI prevention would be tied to Medicare/Medicaid payment
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
 - Reduced payment for hospital-acquired conditions (HACs) including healthcare-associated infections
 - ✓ Effective October 2008
 - ✓ Includes hospital-associated bloodstream infections, urinary tract infections, and selected surgical site infections
 - Pay for reporting/performance



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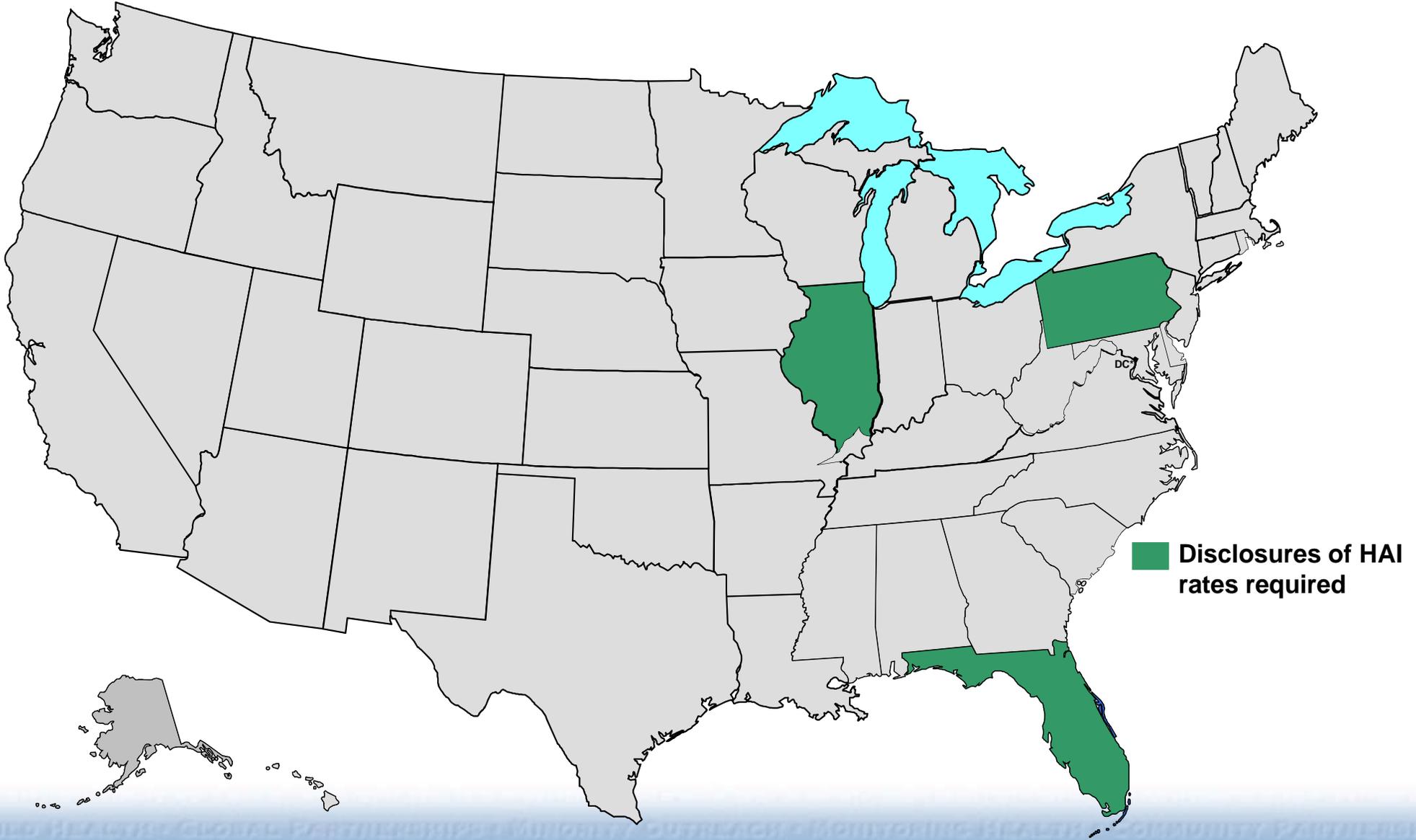


- STAAR Act
 - Strategies to Address Antimicrobial Resistance Act
 - Introduced in 2007 by Senators Sherrod Brown and Orrin Hatch

- Community Healthcare Associated Infections Reduction Act
 - Introduced in 2007 by Senator Durbin
 - Would require hospitals to report infection rates and put in place prevention measures for HAIs

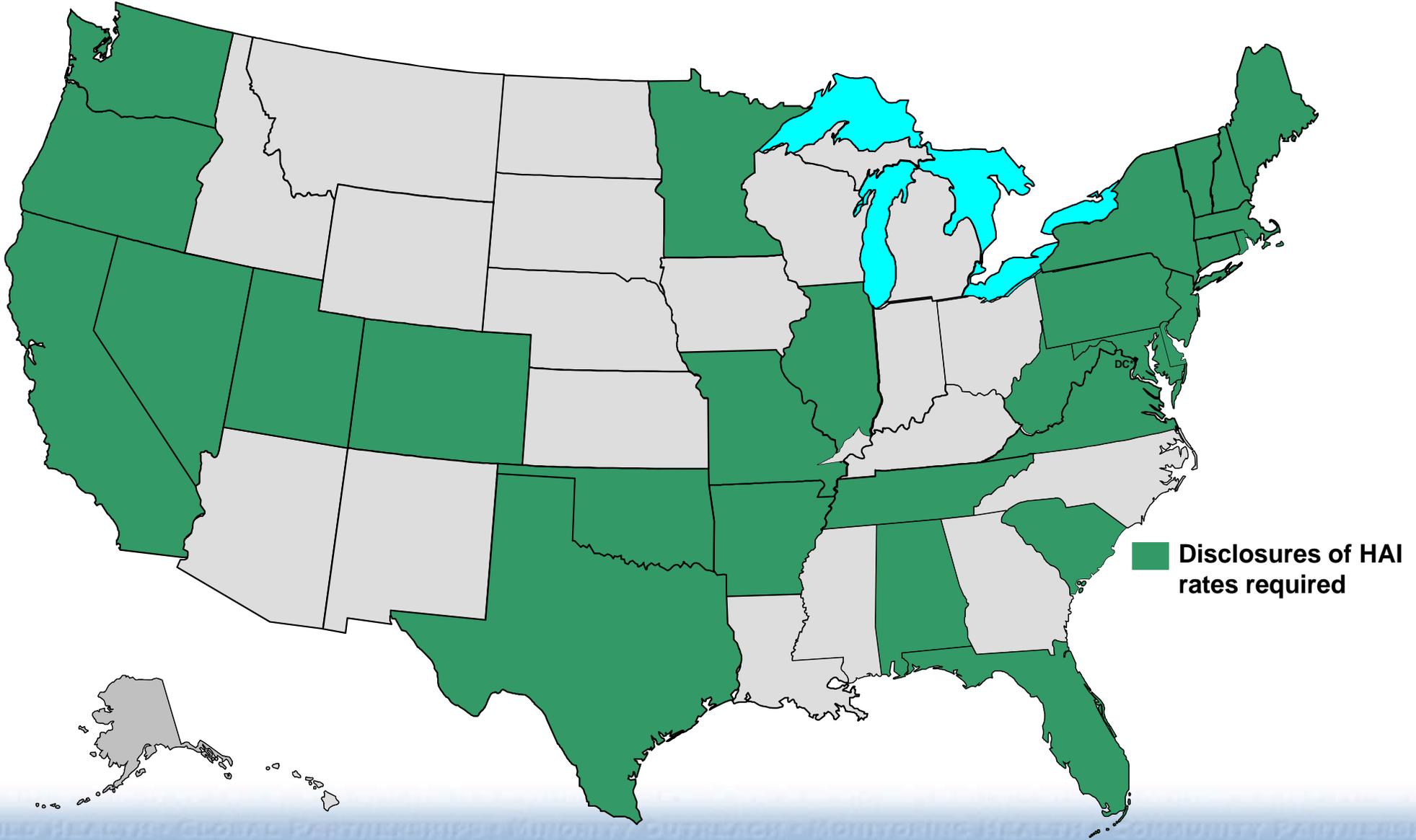


State Initiatives: Public Reporting of HAIs, 2004





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Variations among States



- Complexity
- Phased approach
- Quality monitoring
- Specify prevention strategies



Recovery Act: Showcasing Impact

- Description of investments
 - Activities funded, HAIs addressed by state and nationally
- Success stories
 - Value of state health departments
- Impact of funding
 - State health department capacity
 - Improved surveillance
 - Prevention of HAIs
 - Cost savings
- Future plans and needs