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**VIRGINIA HEALTH INFORMATION RELEASES ANNUAL LICENSURE SURVEY DATA**

Richmond, VA – Virginia Health Information provides details on services offered in many hospitals in the Commonwealth. In addition to comparisons on the quality of care consumers receive, VHI provides Annual Licensure Survey Data (ALSD) collected from ambulatory surgical centers, hospitals, nursing facilities, as well as some free standing physician offices at [www.vhi.org/alsd](http://www.vhi.org/alsd).

What is ALSD and how does it benefit businesses, planners, purchasers and policymakers? Reports in the Annual Licensure Survey Data provide data on patient services provided, the number of procedures, cases, licensed & staffed beds, patient days, occupancy rates and services for specific types of care.

Easy-to-use Excel spreadsheets allow the user to dissect the data in analyses for public planning, research and Certificate of Public Need requirements, to achieve health policy goals.

During the 2016 General Assembly, Virginia's Certificate of Public Need process reform efforts were, and continue to be, a hot topic. Annual Licensure Survey Data is just one of the many pieces used by the OLC (Office of Licensure and Certification) in administering the COPN program. The 2017 General Assembly session may include continued efforts to reform this program following the delay of House Bill 350. For more information about the future of COPN reform, to view the history of House Bill 350 please visit <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?161+sum+HB350>.

VHI is a trusted, unbiased source in providing data tools that aid in improving health care transparency. The files contained in the ALSD are reasonably priced and available to order by visiting, [www.vhi.org/alsd](http://www.vhi.org/alsd).

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