

AB 1278 - The “Sunshine Act”

The Federal Physician Payments Sunshine Act, AB 1278, requires that detailed information about payment and other payments of value worth over ten dollars (\$10) from manufacturers of drugs, medical devices, and biologics to physicians and teaching hospitals be made available to the public.

The Open Payments database is a federal tool used to search payments made by drug and device companies to physicians and teaching hospitals. It can be found at <https://openpaymentsdata.cms.gov>.

For informational purposes only, a link to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Open Payments web page is provided at www.northeasternhealth.org.

If you have any questions about the Sunshine Act, please contact NRHC Administration at (530) 251-5000.