

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 94

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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by: (PH)

AN ACT ALLOWING PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER THE INFLUENZA VACCINE TO CHILDREN TWELVE YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 20-633 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):
- 3 (a) Any person licensed as a pharmacist under part II of this chapter
- 4 may administer, (1) to an adult, any vaccine [,] approved by the United
- 5 States Food and Drug Administration that is listed on the National
- 6 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Adult Immunization
- 7 Schedule; and (2) to any person twelve years of age and older, the
- 8 influenza vaccine approved by the United States Food and Drug
- 9 <u>Administration</u>, provided the administration of any such vaccine is
- 10 conducted pursuant to the order of a licensed health care provider and
- in accordance with the regulations established pursuant to subsection
- 12 (b) of this section.
- 13 (b) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection, in consultation with
- 14 the Commissioner of Public Health and the Commission of Pharmacy,

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15 shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 16 54, to implement the provisions of this section. Such regulations shall 17 (1) require any pharmacist who administers a vaccine [to an adult] 18 pursuant to this section to successfully complete an immunization 19 training program for pharmacists; (2) define the basic requirements of 20 such training program, which shall include training and instruction in 21 pre-administration education and screening, vaccine storage and 22 handling, subcutaneous and intramuscular injections, recordkeeping, 23 vaccine safety, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, basic cardiac life 24 support and adverse event reporting; (3) identify qualifying training 25 programs, which are accredited by the National Centers for Disease 26 Control Prevention, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education 27 or other appropriate national accrediting body; and (4) establish a 28 system of control and reporting.

(c) For purposes of this section, "adult" means an individual who has attained the age of eighteen years.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2019	20-633	

Statement of Purpose:

To reduce the costs of and expand access to the administration of the influenza vaccine for minors.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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