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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the practice of pharmacy

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Section 6801 of the education law, as amended by chapter
2 563 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:
3 S 6801. Definition of practice of pharmacy. 1. The practice of the
4 profession of pharmacy is defined as the administering, preparing,
5 compounding, preserving, or the dispensing of drugs, medicines and ther-
6 apeutic devices on the basis of prescriptions or other legal authority.
7 2. A licensed pharmacist may execute a non-patient specific regimen
8 prescribed or ordered by a licensed physician or certified nurse practi-
9 tioner, pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated by the commission-
10 er. When a licensed pharmacist administers an immunizing agent, he or
11 she shall:
12 (a) report such administration to the patient's attending primary
13 health care practitioner or practitioners, if any, pursuant to rules and
14 regulations of the commissioner;
15 (b) provide information to the patient on the importance of having a
16 primary health care practitioner, developed by the commissioner of
17 health; and
18 (c) report such administration, absent of any individually identifi-
19 able health information, to the department of health in a manner
20 required by the commissioner of health.
21 WHEN A LICENSED PHARMACIST CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO ADMINISTER
22 IMMUNIZATIONS WITHIN A FACILITY LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE TWENTY-EIGHT OF
23 THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW OR IN AN IMMUNIZATION OUTREACH PROGRAM AUTHORIZED
24 BY THE STATE OR A COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, THE IMMUNIZATION SHALL BE
25 RECORDED BY THAT ENTITY AND THE RECORD OF SUCH ENTITY SHALL MEET THE
26 REQUIREMENTS IN PARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS SUBDIVISION.
27 3. No pharmacist shall administer immunizing agents without receiving
28 training satisfactory to the commissioner and the commissioner of health

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 which shall include, but not be limited to, techniques for screening
2 individuals and obtaining informed consent; techniques of adminis-
3 tration; indications, precautions and contraindications in the use of
4 agent or agents; record keeping of immunization and information; and
5 handling emergencies, including anaphylaxis and needlesticks.

6 4. The commissioner of health, in consultation with the commissioner,
7 shall prepare and submit a report to the governor and the legislature,
8 on or before December thirty-first, two thousand eleven, reporting the
9 results and evaluating the effectiveness and impact, if any, of imple-
10 mentation of subdivision two of this section upon the supply of such
11 immunizing agents for the prevention of influenza and pneumococcal
12 disease, upon the geographical distribution of such agents, and upon the
13 distribution of such agents among health care providers, including
14 physicians, and pharmacies in New York state.

15 5. NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, A PHARMACY STUDENT
16 PARTICIPATING IN AN INTERNSHIP OR RESIDENCY PROGRAM WHO HAS SUCCESSFULLY
17 COMPLETED EVERY REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE
18 CERTIFICATE OF ADMINISTRATION MAY, UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A
19 PHARMACIST WHO HAS A VALID CERTIFICATE OF ADMINISTRATION ISSUED BY THE
20 DEPARTMENT, ADMINISTER AN IMMUNIZATION AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION.

21 S 2. Subdivision 22 of section 6802 of the education law, as added by
22 chapter 563 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

23 22. "Administer", for the purpose of section sixty-eight hundred one
24 of this article, means the direct application of an immunizing agent [to
25 adults], whether by injection, ingestion or any other means, pursuant to
26 a patient specific order or non-patient specific regimen prescribed or
27 ordered [issued by a physician or certified nurse practitioner who has a
28 practice site in the county in which the immunization is administered.
29 However if the county where the immunization is to be administered has a
30 population of seventy-five thousand or less, then the licensed physician
31 or certified nurse practitioner may be in an adjoining county]. Such
32 administration shall be limited to [immunizing agents to prevent influ-
33 enza or pneumococcal disease] IMMUNIZATIONS AND VACCINES FORMULATED IN
34 ADULT DOSAGE and medications required for emergency treatment of anaphy-
35 laxis.

36 S 3. Subdivision 2 of section 6828 of the education law, as added by
37 chapter 563 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

38 2. The fee for a certificate of administration shall be one hundred
39 dollars [and shall be paid on a triennial basis]. A certificate may be
40 suspended or revoked in the same manner as a license to practice pharma-
41 cy.

42 S 4. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
43 have become a law:

44 (a) provided, however, that the amendments to section 6801 of the
45 education law made by section one of this act shall not affect the expi-
46 ration of such section and shall be deemed to expire therewith;

47 (b) provided, further, that the amendments to subdivision 22 of
48 section 6802 of the education law made by section two of this act shall
49 not affect the repeal of such subdivision and shall be deemed repealed
50 therewith; and

51 (c) provided, further, that the amendments to subdivision 2 of section
52 6828 of the education law made by section three of this act shall not
53 affect the repeal of such section and shall be deemed repealed there-
54 with.