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Introduced by Sen. COONEY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules -- recommitted to the Committee on Health in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to authorizing certain emergency medical technicians and paramedics to administer certain vaccines pursuant to non-patient specific orders and under the authority of an emergency medical services director

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section
2 3005-c to read as follows:

3 § 3005-c. Vaccination by emergency medical technicians and paramedics.
4 1. Emergency medical technicians and advanced emergency medical techni-
5 cians may administer vaccinations against influenza and COVID-19 pursu-
6 ant to a non-patient specific order and under the authority of an emer-
7 gency medical services director while overseen or approved by the
8 department of health or local health departments and operated under the
9 medical supervision of licensed physicians, licensed physician assist-
10 ants, or certified nurse practitioners; provided that such individuals
11 first receive training in the following areas, as determined by the
12 commissioner after consultation with the commissioner of education:

13 (a) techniques, indications, precautions, contraindications, infection
14 control practices;

15 (b) use of personal protective equipment sufficient to provide the
16 basic level of competence for such tasks; and

17 (c) a current certificate in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation,
18 which at a minimum must include a certification in basic cardiopulmonary
19 resuscitation by an online program that has received accreditation from
20 the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the Accreditation Council for

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

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1 Pharmacy Education (ACPE), or the Accreditation Council for Continuing
2 Medical Education.

3 2. Certified emergency medical technician-paramedics, with prior
4 approval of the department, may administer vaccinations against influen-
5 za and COVID-19 pursuant to a non-patient specific order and under the
6 medical direction of a licensed physician; provided that such emergency
7 medical technician-paramedics first receive training in the following
8 areas, as determined by the commissioner after consultation with the
9 commissioner of education:

10 (a) techniques, indications, precautions, contraindications, infection
11 control practices;

12 (b) use of personal protective equipment sufficient to provide the
13 basic level of competence for such tasks; and

14 (c) a current certificate in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation,
15 which at a minimum must include a certification in basic cardiopulmonary
16 resuscitation by an online program that has received accreditation from
17 the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the Accreditation Council for
18 Pharmacy Education (ACPE), or the Accreditation Council for Continuing
19 Medical Education.

20 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.