

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

March 18, 2021

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Introduced by M. of A. HYNDMAN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to pharmacist immunizations; to amend chapter 563 of the laws of 2008, amending the education law and the public health law relating to immunizing agents to be administered to adults by pharmacists, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; and to amend chapter 116 of the laws of 2012, amending the education law relating to authorizing a licensed pharmacist and certified nurse practitioner to administer certain immunizing agents, in relation to the effectiveness thereof

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 7 of section 6527 of the education law, as  
2 amended by chapter 46 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 7. A licensed physician may prescribe and order a patient specific  
5 order or non-patient specific regimen to a licensed pharmacist, pursuant  
6 to regulations promulgated by the commissioner, and consistent with the  
7 public health law, for administering immunizations to prevent influenza,  
8 pneumococcal, acute herpes zoster, meningococcal, tetanus, diphtheria or  
9 pertussis disease and for patients eighteen years of age or older, any  
10 other immunizations recommended by the advisory committee on immuniza-  
11 tion practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and  
12 medications required for emergency treatment of anaphylaxis. Nothing in  
13 this subdivision shall authorize unlicensed persons to administer immun-  
14 izations, vaccines or other drugs.

15 § 2. Subdivision 7 of section 6527 of the education law, as amended by  
16 chapter 110 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

17 7. A licensed physician may prescribe and order a patient specific  
18 order or non-patient specific regimen to a licensed pharmacist, pursuant  
19 to regulations promulgated by the commissioner, and consistent with the

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

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public health law, for administering immunizations to prevent influenza, pneumococcal, acute herpes zoster, meningococcal, tetanus, diphtheria, COVID-19, or pertussis disease and for patients eighteen years of age or older, any other immunizations recommended by the advisory committee on immunization practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and medications required for emergency treatment of anaphylaxis. Nothing in this subdivision shall authorize unlicensed persons to administer immunizations, vaccines or other drugs.

§ 3. Subdivision 22 of section 6802 of the education law, as amended by section 2 of part DD of chapter 57 of the laws of 2018, is amended to read as follows:

22. "Administer", for the purpose of section sixty-eight hundred one of this article, means:

a. the direct application of an immunizing agent to adults, whether by injection, ingestion, inhalation or any other means, pursuant to a patient specific order or non-patient specific regimen prescribed or ordered by a physician or certified nurse practitioner, [~~who has a practice site in the county or adjoining county in which the immunization is administered,~~] for patients eighteen years of age or older, any other immunizations recommended by the advisory committee on immunization practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and medications required for emergency treatment of anaphylaxis. If the commissioner of health determines that there is an outbreak of disease, or that there is the imminent threat of an outbreak of disease, then the commissioner of health may issue a non-patient specific regimen applicable statewide.

b. the direct application of an immunizing agent to children between the ages of two and eighteen years of age, whether by injection, ingestion, inhalation or any other means, pursuant to a patient specific order or non-patient specific regimen prescribed or ordered by a physician or certified nurse practitioner, [~~who has a practice site in the county or adjoining county in which the immunization is administered,~~] for immunization to prevent influenza and medications required for emergency treatment of anaphylaxis resulting from such immunization. If the commissioner of health determines that there is an outbreak of influenza, or that there is the imminent threat of an outbreak of influenza, then the commissioner of health may issue a non-patient specific regimen applicable statewide.

§ 4. Subdivision 22 of section 6802 of the education law, as amended by chapter 110 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

22. "Administer", for the purpose of section sixty-eight hundred one of this article, means:

a. the direct application of an immunizing agent to adults, whether by injection, ingestion, inhalation or any other means, pursuant to a patient specific order or non-patient specific regimen prescribed or ordered by a physician or certified nurse practitioner, [~~who has a practice site in the county or adjoining county in which the immunization is administered,~~] for patients eighteen years of age or older, any other immunizations recommended by the advisory committee on immunization practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and medications required for emergency treatment of anaphylaxis. If the commissioner of health determines that there is an outbreak of disease,

1 or that there is the imminent threat of an outbreak of disease, then the  
2 commissioner of health may issue a non-patient specific regimen applica-  
3 ble statewide.

4 b. the direct application of an immunizing agent to children between  
5 the ages of two and eighteen years of age, whether by injection, inges-  
6 tion, inhalation or any other means, pursuant to a patient specific  
7 order or non-patient specific regimen prescribed or ordered by a physi-  
8 cian or certified nurse practitioner, ~~[who has a practice site in the~~  
9 ~~county or adjoining county in which the immunization is administered,]~~  
10 for immunization to prevent influenza and medications required for emer-  
11 gency treatment of anaphylaxis resulting from such immunization. If the  
12 commissioner of health determines that there is an outbreak of influen-  
13 za, or that there is the imminent threat of an outbreak of influenza,  
14 then the commissioner of health may issue a non-patient specific regimen  
15 applicable statewide.

16 § 5. Subdivision 7 of section 6909 of the education law, as amended by  
17 chapter 46 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

18 7. A certified nurse practitioner may prescribe and order a patient  
19 specific order or non-patient specific regimen to a licensed pharmacist,  
20 pursuant to regulations promulgated by the commissioner, and consistent  
21 with the public health law, for administering immunizations to prevent  
22 influenza, pneumococcal, acute herpes zoster, meningococcal, tetanus,  
23 diphtheria or pertussis disease and for patients eighteen years of age  
24 or older, any other immunizations recommended by the advisory committee  
25 on immunization practices of the Centers for Disease Control and  
26 Prevention and medications required for emergency treatment of anaphy-  
27 laxis. Nothing in this subdivision shall authorize unlicensed persons to  
28 administer immunizations, vaccines or other drugs.

29 § 6. Subdivision 7 of section 6909 of the education law, as amended by  
30 chapter 110 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

31 7. A certified nurse practitioner may prescribe and order a patient  
32 specific order or non-patient specific regimen to a licensed pharmacist,  
33 pursuant to regulations promulgated by the commissioner, and consistent  
34 with the public health law, for administering immunizations to prevent  
35 influenza, pneumococcal, acute herpes zoster, meningococcal, tetanus,  
36 diphtheria, COVID-19, or pertussis disease and for patients eighteen  
37 years of age or older, any other immunizations recommended by the advi-  
38 sory committee on immunization practices of the Centers for Disease  
39 Control and Prevention and medications required for emergency treatment  
40 of anaphylaxis. Nothing in this subdivision shall authorize unlicensed  
41 persons to administer immunizations, vaccines or other drugs.

42 § 7. Section 8 of chapter 563 of the laws of 2008, amending the educa-  
43 tion law and the public health law relating to immunizing agents to be  
44 administered to adults by pharmacists, as amended by section 18 of part  
45 BB of chapter 56 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

46 § 8. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
47 have become a law ~~[and shall expire and be deemed repealed July 1,~~  
48 ~~2022]~~.

49 § 8. Section 5 of chapter 116 of the laws of 2012, amending the educa-  
50 tion law relating to authorizing a licensed pharmacist and certified  
51 nurse practitioner to administer certain immunizing agents, as amended  
52 by section 19 of part BB of chapter 56 of the laws of 2020, is amended  
53 to read as follows:

54 § 5. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
55 have become a law~~[, provided, however, that the provisions of sections~~

~~one, two and four of this act shall expire and be deemed repealed July 1, 2020 provided, that:~~

~~(a) the amendments to subdivision 7 of section 6527 of the education law made by section one of this act shall not affect the repeal of such subdivision and shall be deemed to be repealed therewith;~~

~~(b) the amendments to subdivision 7 of section 6909 of the education law, made by section two of this act shall not affect the repeal of such subdivision and shall be deemed to be repealed therewith;~~

~~(c) the amendments to subdivision 22 of section 6802 of the education law made by section three of this act shall not affect the repeal of such subdivision and shall be deemed to be repealed therewith; and~~

~~(d) the amendments to section 6801 of the education law made by section four of this act shall not affect the expiration of such section and shall be deemed to expire therewith].~~

§ 9. This act shall take effect immediately, provided, however, that sections two, four and six of this act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as chapter 110 of the laws of 2020 takes effect and shall expire and be deemed repealed pursuant to section four of chapter 110 of the laws of 2020.