

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

March 18, 2021

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

9 § 3. Subdivision 22 of section 802 of the education law, as amended
10 by section 2 of part DD of chapter 57 of the laws of 2018, is amended to
11 read as follows:

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

14 a. the direct application of an immunizing agent to adults, whether by
15 injection, ingestion, inhalation or any other means, pursuant to a
16 patient specific order or non-patient specific regimen prescribed or
17 ordered by a physician or certified nurse practitioner, [~~who has a prac-~~
18 ~~tice site in the county or adjoining county in which the immunization is~~
19 ~~administered,~~] for immunizations to prevent influenza, pneumococcal,
20 acute herpes zoster, meningococcal, tetanus, diphtheria or pertussis
21 disease and for patients eighteen years of age or older, any other
22 immunizations recommended by the advisory committee on immunization
23 practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and medica-
24 tions required for emergency treatment of anaphylaxis. If the commis-
25 sioner of health determines that there is an outbreak of disease, or
26 that there is the imminent threat of an outbreak of disease, then the
27 commissioner of health may issue a non-patient specific regimen applica-
28 ble statewide.

29 b. the direct application of an immunizing agent to children between
30 the ages of two and eighteen years of age, whether by injection, inges-
31 tion, inhalation or any other means, pursuant to a patient specific
32 order or non-patient specific regimen prescribed or ordered by a physi-
33 cian or certified nurse practitioner, [~~who has a practice site in the~~
34 ~~county or adjoining county in which the immunization is administered,~~] for
35 immunization to prevent influenza and medications required for emer-
36 gency treatment of anaphylaxis resulting from such immunization. If the
37 commissioner of health determines that there is an outbreak of influen-
38 za, or that there is the imminent threat of an outbreak of influenza,
39 then the commissioner of health may issue a non-patient specific regimen
40 applicable statewide.

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

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

45 a. the direct application of an immunizing agent to adults, whether by
46 injection, ingestion, inhalation or any other means, pursuant to a
47 patient specific order or non-patient specific regimen prescribed or
48 ordered by a physician or certified nurse practitioner, [~~who has a prac-~~
49 ~~tice site in the county or adjoining county in which the immunization is~~
50 ~~administered,~~] for immunizations to prevent influenza, pneumococcal,
51 acute herpes zoster, meningococcal, tetanus, diphtheria, COVID-19, or
52 pertussis disease and for patients eighteen years of age or older, any
53 other immunizations recommended by the advisory committee on immuniza-
54 tion practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and
55 medications required for emergency treatment of anaphylaxis. If the
56 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 [~~7, provided, however, that the provisions of sections~~

1 ~~one, two and four of this act shall expire and be deemed repealed July~~
2 ~~1, 2020 provided, that:~~

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

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

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

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

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