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Introduced by M. of A. McDONALD, SAYEGH, WALLACE, SEAWRIGHT, MEEKS, JONES, JENSEN, LUPARDO, STIRPE, BUTTENSCHON, LUNSFORD -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. TAGUE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to allowing a licensed pharmacist to order and administer respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and Group A streptococcal tests and to initiate treatment upon positive results of COVID-19, influenza and Group A streptococcal tests

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

Section 1. Subdivision 7 of section 6801 of the education law, as added by section 2 of part C of chapter 57 of the laws of 2022, is amended to read as follows:

7. A licensed pharmacist is a qualified health care professional under section five hundred seventy-one of the public health law for the purposes of directing a limited service laboratory and ordering and administering COVID-19 [~~and~~], influenza**, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), Group A streptococcal, HbA1c, hepatitis C, and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)** tests authorized by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), subject to certificate of waiver requirements established pursuant to the federal clinical laboratory improvement act of nineteen hundred eighty-eight. **A licensed pharmacist may also initiate treatment upon positive results of COVID-19, influenza and Group A streptococcal tests pursuant to a statewide protocol approved by the department of health. A pharmacist shall retain a record of the test result and treatment as part of the patient record and will provide, upon patient request, a report of the test result and treatment to patient's designated physician, physician's assistant or nurse practitioner.**

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the amendments to subdivision 7 of section 6801 of the education law made by section one of this act shall not affect the repeal of such subdivision and shall be deemed repealed therewith.

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

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