



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6545

LCO No. 4027

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF PROPHYLACTIC AND EMERGENCY CARE TO HOSPITAL PATIENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 19a-490k of the general statutes is repealed and
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

3 (a) A hospital may administer care to patients, after an assessment
4 of contraindications, without a physician's order, in accordance with a
5 physician-approved hospital policy, if such care is emergent, timely
6 and necessary, or for the purpose of advancing patient care, to the
7 extent such care is permitted by 42 CFR Part 482.

8 (b) A hospital may administer any prophylactic care or treatment to
9 healthy newborns who are born at the hospital, or who are admitted to
10 the hospital nursery, after an assessment of contraindications, without
11 a physician's order, in accordance with a physician-approved hospital
12 policy, to the extent such care or treatment is permitted by 42 CFR Part
13 482.

14 (c) A hospital may administer influenza and pneumococcal

15 polysaccharide vaccines to patients, after an assessment for
16 contraindications, without a physician's order, in accordance with a
17 physician-approved hospital policy. The Commissioner of Public
18 Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
19 chapter 54, to carry out the provisions of this [section] subsection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2011	19a-490k

Statement of Purpose:

To enhance and optimize patient care in hospitals.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]