



House Bill No. 6545

Public Act No. 11-2

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:

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 Section 19a-490k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

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

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

(c) A hospital may administer influenza and pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccines to patients, after an assessment for contraindications, without a physician's order, in accordance with a physician-approved hospital policy. The Commissioner of Public

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Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the provisions of this [section] subsection.

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