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LCO No. 4374



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

**AN ACT ALLOWING CERTAIN HOSPITAL PERSONNEL TO
ADMINISTER A SALINE FLUSH TO AN INTRAVENOUS LINE.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2017*) (a) As used in this
2 section:

3 (1) "Normal saline" means a nine-tenths of one per cent sodium
4 chloride solution that does not contain additives and is suitable for
5 administration to a hospital patient;

6 (2) "Prepackaged" means prepared by a pharmacy or a
7 manufacturer in a sterile environment; and

8 (3) "Peripheral IV" means a peripherally inserted intravenous line.

9 (b) The flushing of a peripheral IV with prepackaged normal saline
10 may be performed at a hospital by unlicensed hospital personnel
11 trained under a protocol approved by the hospital. The hospital-
12 approved protocol shall indicate the level of supervision and training
13 required for unlicensed hospital personnel who perform flushing of a

14 prepackaged peripheral IV. The hospital shall document and maintain
15 such protocol at the hospital for not less than two years from the date
16 of implementation of such protocol. The flushing of a peripheral IV
17 with prepackaged normal saline shall not be considered the
18 administration of medication.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To allow certain unlicensed hospital personnel to flush a peripheral IV.

[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.]