



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 6943**

LCO No. 3475



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
(PH)

**AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER VACCINES.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) For purposes of this  
2 section, "medical assistant" means a person who (1) (A) is certified by  
3 the American Association of Medical Assistants, the National  
4 Healthcareer Association, the National Center for Competency Testing  
5 or the American Medical Technologists, and (B) has graduated from a  
6 postsecondary medical assisting program (i) accredited by the  
7 Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs,  
8 the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools or another  
9 accrediting organization recognized by the United States Department  
10 of Education, or (ii) offered by an institution of higher education  
11 accredited by an accrediting organization recognized by the United  
12 States Department of Education, or (2) has completed relevant medical  
13 assistant training provided by any branch of the armed forces of the  
14 United States.

15 (b) A medical assistant may administer a vaccine in any setting

16 other than a hospital setting to a person eighteen years of age or older  
17 under the direct supervision, control and responsibility of a physician  
18 licensed pursuant to chapter 370 of the general statutes or an advanced  
19 practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378 of the  
20 general statutes. Prior to administering a vaccine, a medical assistant  
21 shall complete not less than twenty-four hours of classroom training  
22 and not less than eight hours of training in a clinical setting regarding  
23 the administration of vaccines.

24 (c) On or before January first annually, the Commissioner of Public  
25 Health shall obtain from the American Association of Medical  
26 Assistants, the National Healthcareer Association, the National Center  
27 for Competency Testing and the American Medical Technologists a  
28 listing of all state residents maintained on said organizations' registry  
29 of certified medical assistants. The commissioner shall make such  
30 listings available for public inspection.

31 Sec. 2. Section 19a-6f of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*  
32 *October 1, 2019*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2019</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2019</i>	Repealer section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To allow medical assistants to administer vaccines.

*[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.]*