



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5119

LCO No. 1011



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT PERMITTING PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER THE
INFLUENZA VACCINE TO CHILDREN TWELVE YEARS OF AGE AND
OLDER.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 20-633 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

3 (a) Any person licensed as a pharmacist under part II of this chapter
4 may (1) administer, to an adult, any vaccine, approved by the United
5 States Food and Drug Administration that is listed on the National
6 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Adult Immunization
7 Schedule, and (2) on and after July 1, 2020, administer to any person
8 between the ages of twelve and seventeen, with the consent of such
9 person's parent or guardian, the influenza vaccine approved by the
10 United States Food and Drug Administration, provided the
11 administration of any [such] vaccine under this subsection is conducted
12 pursuant to the order of a licensed health care provider and in
13 accordance with the regulations established pursuant to subsection (b)
14 of this section.

15 (b) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection, in consultation with
16 the Commissioner of Public Health and the Commission of Pharmacy,
17 shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54,
18 to implement the provisions of this section. Such regulations shall (1)
19 require any pharmacist who administers a vaccine [to an adult]
20 pursuant to this section to successfully complete an immunization
21 training program for pharmacists; (2) define the basic requirements of
22 such training program, which shall include training and instruction in
23 pre-administration education and screening, vaccine storage and
24 handling, subcutaneous and intramuscular injections, recordkeeping,
25 vaccine safety, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, basic cardiac life support
26 and adverse event reporting; (3) identify qualifying training programs,
27 which are accredited by the National Centers for Disease Control
28 Prevention, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education or other
29 appropriate national accrediting body; and (4) establish a system of
30 control and reporting.

31 (c) For purposes of this section, "adult" means [an individual] a
32 person who has attained the age of eighteen years.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2022</i>	20-633

Statement of Purpose:

To permit pharmacists to administer the influenza vaccine to children twelve years of age and older with the consent of a parent or guardian.

[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.]