

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 511

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 1 through 7, by striking out all of
2 said lines and inserting

3 Amending the act of September 27, 1961 (P.L.1700, No.699),
4 entitled "An act relating to the regulation of the practice
5 of pharmacy, including the sales, use and distribution of
6 drugs and devices at retail; and amending, revising,
7 consolidating and repealing certain laws relating thereto,"
8 further providing for authority to administer injectable
9 medications, biologicals and immunizations; and abrogating
10 inconsistent regulations.

11 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 10 through 19; pages 2 through 6,
12 lines 1 through 30; page 7, line 1; by striking out all of said
13 lines on said pages and inserting

14 Section 1. Section 9.2(a) introductory paragraph and (5) and
15 (b) of the act of September 27, 1961 (P.L.1700, No.699), known
16 as the Pharmacy Act, are amended and the section is amended by
17 adding subsections to read:

18 Section 9.2. Authority to Administer Injectable Medications,
19 Biologicals and Immunizations.--(a) The board shall by
20 regulation establish education and training standards and
21 practice guidelines pursuant to which pharmacists shall be
22 authorized to administer injectable medications, biologicals and
23 immunizations to persons who are more than eighteen years of age
24 and influenza and COVID-19 immunizations by injectable or
25 needle-free delivery methods to persons [nine] five years of age
26 and older. Such standards and guidelines shall include, but not
27 be limited to, the following:

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29 (5) For individuals under eighteen years of age, that
30 parental consent be obtained prior to administration.
31 Administration of influenza and COVID-19 immunizations by
32 injectable or needle-free delivery methods shall be in
33 accordance with the immunization schedule established by the
34 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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1 (b) [A] Except as provided under subsection (e), a
2 pharmacist's authority to administer injectable medications,
3 biologicals and immunizations shall not be delegated to any
4 other person. A pharmacy intern who has completed a course of
5 education and training which meets the requirements of
6 subsection (a)(1) and (2) may administer injectable medications,
7 biologicals and immunizations to persons who are more than
8 eighteen years of age and influenza and COVID-19 immunizations
9 by injectable or needle-free delivery methods to persons [nine]
10 five years of age and older only under the direct, immediate and
11 personal supervision of a pharmacist holding the authority to
12 administer injectable medications, biologicals and immunizations
13 or a physician, physician assistant or certified registered
14 nurse practitioner.

15 (c) A supervising pharmacist shall report the
16 administration of immunizations under this section to the
17 immunization registry maintained by the Department of Health
18 within seventy-two hours of immunization administration and to
19 the individual's primary care provider in accordance with
20 subsection (a)(7). Nothing in this subsection shall be construed
21 to prohibit a supervising pharmacist from delegating the
22 reporting of immunization administration to a pharmacy intern.

23 (d) A pharmacist or pharmacy intern who administers an
24 influenza or COVID-19 immunization to an individual under
25 eighteen years of age shall inform the parent or adult caregiver
26 of the importance of a well-child visit with a pediatrician or
27 other licensed primary care provider and refer the patient as
28 appropriate.

29 (e) A pharmacist who holds the authority to administer
30 injectable medications, biologicals and immunizations may
31 delegate the authority to administer influenza and COVID-19
32 immunizations to a certified registered nurse practitioner,
33 physician assistant, registered nurse or licensed practical
34 nurse.

35 Section 2. The provisions of 49 Pa. Code §§ 27.12(c)(1) and
36 27.403(b) are abrogated insofar as they are inconsistent with
37 the amendment or addition of section 9.2(a) introductory
38 paragraph and (5), (b), (c) and (d) of the act.

39 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.