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SYNOPSIS

Authorizes certain health care professionals to administer COVID-19 vaccine.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning the coronavirus disease 2019 vaccine and
2 supplementing Title 45 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. a. A licensed podiatrist may administer immunizations
8 authorized by the United States Food and Drug Administration for
9 the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), if the
10 administration of the immunization is either: (1) consistent with
11 applicable rules, regulations, or guidelines established by the
12 federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; or (2)
13 consistent with the United States Food and Drug Administration
14 labeling for the immunization.

15 b. An immunization for the prevention of COVID-19
16 administered to a patient by a licensed podiatrist shall be reported
17 by the licensed podiatrist to the New Jersey Immunization
18 Information System established pursuant to section 4 of P.L.2004,
19 c.138 (C.26:4-134), for inclusion in the patient's registry.

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21 2. a. A licensed dentist may administer immunizations
22 authorized by the United States Food and Drug Administration for
23 the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), if the
24 administration of the immunization is either: (1) consistent with
25 applicable rules, regulations, or guidelines established by the
26 federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; or (2)
27 consistent with the United States Food and Drug Administration
28 labeling for the immunization.

29 b. An immunization for the prevention of COVID-19
30 administered to a patient by a licensed dentist shall be reported by
31 the licensed dentist to the New Jersey Immunization Information
32 System established pursuant to section 4 of P.L.2004, c.138
33 (C.26:4-134), for inclusion in the patient's registry.

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35 3. a. A licensed perfusionist may administer immunizations
36 authorized by the United States Food and Drug Administration for
37 the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), if the
38 administration of the immunization is either: (1) consistent with
39 applicable rules, regulations, or guidelines established by the
40 federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; or (2)
41 consistent with the United States Food and Drug Administration
42 labeling for the immunization.

43 b. An immunization for the prevention of COVID-19
44 administered to a patient by a licensed perfusionist shall be reported
45 by the licensed perfusionist to the New Jersey Immunization
46 Information System established pursuant to section 4 of P.L.2004,
47 c.138 (C.26:4-134), for inclusion in the patient's registry.

1 4. a. A licensed bio-analytical laboratory director who is not
2 otherwise licensed as a physician may administer immunizations
3 authorized by the United States Food and Drug Administration for
4 the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), if the
5 administration of the immunization is either: (1) consistent with
6 applicable rules, regulations, or guidelines established by the
7 federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; or (2)
8 consistent with the United States Food and Drug Administration
9 labeling for the immunization.

10 b. An immunization for the prevention of COVID-19
11 administered to a patient by a licensed bio-analytical laboratory
12 director shall be reported by the licensed bio-analytical laboratory
13 director to the New Jersey Immunization Information System
14 established pursuant to section 4 of P.L.2004, c.138 (C.26:4-134),
15 for inclusion in the patient's registry.

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17 5. a. A licensed optometrist may administer immunizations
18 authorized by the United States Food and Drug Administration for
19 the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), if the
20 administration of the immunization is either: (1) consistent with
21 applicable rules, regulations, or guidelines established by the
22 federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; or (2)
23 consistent with the United States Food and Drug Administration
24 labeling for the immunization.

25 b. An immunization for the prevention of COVID-19
26 administered to a patient by a licensed optometrist shall be reported
27 by the licensed optometrist to the New Jersey Immunization
28 Information System established pursuant to section 4 of P.L.2004,
29 c.138 (C.26:4-134), for inclusion in the patient's registry.

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31 6. a. A licensed respiratory care practitioner may administer
32 immunizations authorized by the United States Food and Drug
33 Administration for the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019
34 (COVID-19), if the administration of the immunization is either:
35 (1) consistent with applicable rules, regulations, or guidelines
36 established by the federal Centers for Disease Control and
37 Prevention; or (2) consistent with the United States Food and Drug
38 Administration labeling for the immunization.

39 b. An immunization for the prevention of COVID-19
40 administered to a patient by a licensed respiratory care practitioner
41 shall be reported by the licensed respiratory care practitioner to the
42 New Jersey Immunization Information System established pursuant
43 to section 4 of P.L.2004, c.138 (C.26:4-134), for inclusion in the
44 patient's registry.

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46 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

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3 This bill authorizes licensed podiatrists, dentists, perfusionists,
4 bio-analytical laboratory directors who are not otherwise licensed
5 physicians, optometrists, and respiratory care practitioners to
6 administer immunizations authorized by the United States Food and
7 Drug Administration for the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019
8 (COVID-19), if the administration of the immunization is either:
9 (1) consistent with applicable rules, regulations, or guidelines
10 established by the federal Centers for Disease Control and
11 Prevention; or (2) consistent with the United States Food and Drug
12 Administration labeling for the immunization.
13 Each COVID-19 vaccination administered by a licensed
14 professional under the bill is to be reported by the professional to
15 the New Jersey Immunization Information System for inclusion in
16 the patient's registry information.