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3 House/Senate Bill No. _____

4 By Representative/Senator _____

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6 PHARMACISTS: Provides relative to administration of immunizations.

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8 AN ACT

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10 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1218, relative to administration of influenza immunization, and
11 R.S. 37:1218.1, relative to administration of immunizations and vaccines other than
12 influenza immunizations.

13 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

14 Section 1. R.S. 37:1218 and R.S. 37:1218.1 are hereby amended and reenacted to read:

15 §1218. Administration of influenza immunization

16 A pharmacist, or pharmacy intern or certified pharmacy technician both of whom shall be
17 supervised by a pharmacist, may administer an influenza immunization to any person
18 ~~seven~~ three years of age or older without a prescription or medical order, contingent upon
19 all of the following provisions:

- 20 (1) The pharmacist, pharmacy intern and certified pharmacy technician shall
21 administer influenza immunizations in conformance with the most current annual
22 influenza vaccination protocol as set forth by the United States Centers for
23 Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization
24 Practice ~~(ACIP)~~.

- (2) The pharmacist or his agent shall report each influenza immunization to the ~~Louisiana Office of Public Health Immunization Registry~~ Department of Health, office of public health's Louisiana Immunization Network for Kids Statewide at the time of the immunization or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter.
- (3) The pharmacist or his agent shall report all adverse events he observes or which are reported to him to the Vaccines Adverse Events Reporting System (~~VAERS~~), the cooperative program of the CDC and the United States Food and Drug Administration for vaccine safety, or its successor program; and further, the pharmacist shall refer the patient with an adverse event to the influenza immunization for appropriate medical care.
- (4) The pharmacist or his agent shall maintain for at least two years a record of each influenza immunization administered.
- (5) The pharmacist, pharmacy intern and certified pharmacy technician shall obtain the appropriate ~~credential to administer influenza immunizations from the board~~ education and training, as administratively defined, prior to administering any such immunization; and further, shall retain evidence of their continuing competency for such immunizations, as administratively defined by the board.
- §1218.1 Administration of immunizations and vaccines other than influenza immunizations
- A. A pharmacist, or pharmacy intern or certified pharmacy technician both of whom shall be supervised by a pharmacist, may administer to an individual age ~~seventeen~~ three or older an immunization or a vaccine without a patient-specific prescription or medical order if the immunization or vaccine is administered in conformance with the most current immunization administration protocol as set forth by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

49 Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice. At the time that a pharmacist,
50 pharmacy intern or certified pharmacy technician administers an immunization or
51 vaccine under the provisions of this Section, the pharmacist, pharmacy intern or
52 certified pharmacy technician shall also inform the individual that the
53 administration of an immunization or vaccine under this Section is not to be
54 construed as being in lieu of an annual checkup with the individual's primary care
55 or family physician.

56 (1) The pharmacist or his agent shall report each immunization to the
57 Department of Health, office of public health's Louisiana Immunization
58 Network for Kids Statewide at the time of the immunization or as soon as
59 reasonably practicable thereafter, as this is the official state vaccination
60 record.

61 (2) The pharmacist or his agent shall report all adverse events he observes or
62 which are reported to him to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting
63 System, the cooperative program of the United States Centers for Disease
64 Control and Prevention (CDC) and the United States Food and Drug
65 Administration for vaccine safety, or its successor program; and further,
66 the pharmacist shall refer the patient with an adverse event to an
67 immunization for appropriate medical care.

68 (3) The pharmacist or his agent shall maintain for at least two years a record
69 of each immunization administered.

70 (4) The pharmacist, pharmacy intern and certified pharmacy technician shall
71 obtain the appropriate ~~credential to administer immunizations from the~~
72 ~~board~~ education and training, as administratively defined, prior to

73 administering any such immunization; and further, shall retain evidence of
74 their continuing competency for such immunizations, as administratively
75 defined by the board.

76 (5) The pharmacist or his agent shall request the name of a patient's primary
77 care provider prior to the administering of any immunization. If the
78 patient identifies such primary care provider to the pharmacist or his
79 agent, the pharmacist or his agent shall notify the primary care provider,
80 by written or electronic communication, as soon as reasonably possible
81 thereafter that the immunization was administered.

82 B. This Section shall not apply to the administering of an immunization pursuant to
83 R.S. 37:1218.

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