

SENATE BILL NO. 2398

Introduced by

Senator O'Connell

Representatives Hunskor, Price

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-12.1 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the scope of practice of medical assistants; and to amend and
3 reenact subsection 9 of section 43-12.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the
4 professional regulation of medical assistants as a class of unlicensed assistive persons.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 9 of section 43-12.1-02 of the North Dakota
7 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

8 9. "Unlicensed assistive person" means an assistant to the nurse who regardless of
9 title is authorized by the board to perform nursing interventions delegated and
10 supervised by a nurse. The term includes a medical assistant who meets the
11 qualifications established by the board.

12 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 43-12.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
13 created and enacted as follows:

14 **Medical assistant - Rules - Scope of practice.**

- 15 1. The board shall adopt rules establishing standards for medical assistant scope of
16 practice, education, and training requirements.
- 17 2. In addition to any other medication and route of administration established by rule,
18 the rules adopted by the board must provide that under the delegation and
19 supervision of a nurse, a medical assistant may administer to an individual with
20 stable, predictable conditions the following medications by the following routes:
- 21 a. Oral, sublingual, and buccal medications;
- 22 b. Eye medications;
- 23 c. Ear medications;
- 24 d. Nasal medications;

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- 1 e. Rectal medications and enemas;
- 2 f. Vaginal medications;
- 3 g. Skin ointments;
- 4 h. Topical medications, including patches;
- 5 i. Transdermal medications;
- 6 j. Metered handheld inhalants;
- 7 k. Unit dose nebulizers;
- 8 l. Subcutaneous administration; and
- 9 m. Intramuscular injection.