

**Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2009**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1215
(Representatives Uglem, Kaldor, Pollert, Porter, Potter)
(Senator J. Lee)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-27 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to influenza vaccinations administered by emergency medical technicians-paramedics; and to amend and reenact section 23-27-04.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to supervision of emergency medical technicians and paramedics.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 23-27-04.4 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

23-27-04.4. Supervision of certified or licensed emergency medical technician hospital personnel. Certified or licensed emergency medical technicians-intermediate and paramedics, who are employed by a hospital ~~and who are working in a nonemergency setting~~ may provide patient care within a scope of practice established by the department. Under this section, these emergency medical services professionals are under the supervision of the hospital's nurse executive.

SECTION 2. A new section to chapter 23-27 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Administration of influenza vaccination.

1. A licensed emergency medical technician-paramedic working for a hospital or an emergency medical services operation may administer the influenza vaccine to an individual who is at least eighteen years of age if:
 - a. The physician providing oversight for the emergency medical services operation or the hospital medical director has established protocols that meet department standards that may be based on the advisory committee on immunization practices of the federal centers for disease control and prevention; and
 - b. The emergency medical technician-paramedic has satisfactorily completed a department-approved course on administering vaccines.
2. If a hospital or emergency medical services operation allows the administration of vaccines under this section, the hospital or emergency medical services operation shall maintain records documenting the emergency medical technician-paramedic's completion of the training required under subsection 1. These records are subject to review by the department.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1215.

House Vote: Yeas 92 Nays 0 Absent 2

Senate Vote: Yeas 44 Nays 0 Absent 3

Chief Clerk of the House

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Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2009.

Governor

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Secretary of State