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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 598

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health occupations; permitting licensed dentists to administer COVID-19
1.3 vaccines; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 150A.055.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 150A.055, is amended to read:

1.6 150A.055 ADMINISTRATION OF INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATIONS VACCINES.

1.7 Subdivision 1. Practice of dentistry. A person licensed to practice dentistry under
1.8 sections 150A.01 to 150A.14 shall be deemed to be practicing dentistry while participating
1.9 in the administration of an influenza vaccination or COVID-19 vaccine.

1.10 Subd. 2. Qualified dentists. (a) The influenza immunization vaccine shall be administered
1.11 only to eligible patients 16 years of age and older and only by licensed dentists who:

1.12 (1) have immediate access to emergency response equipment, including but not limited
1.13 to oxygen administration equipment, epinephrine, and other allergic reaction response
1.14 equipment; and

1.15 (2) are trained in or have successfully completed an educational program on vaccine
1.16 administration that is approved by the Minnesota Board of Dentistry, specifically for the
1.17 administration of immunizations vaccines. The training or program must include:

1.18 (i) educational material on the disease of influenza and vaccination as prevention of the
1.19 disease;

1.20 (ii) contraindications and precautions;

1.21 (iii) intramuscular administration;

2.1 (iv) communication of risk and benefits of ~~influenza~~ influenza vaccination and legal requirements
2.2 involved;

2.3 (v) reporting of adverse events;

2.4 (vi) documentation required by federal law; and

2.5 (vii) storage and handling of vaccines.

2.6 (b) Any dentist giving ~~influenza~~ influenza vaccinations under this section shall comply with
2.7 guidelines established by the federal Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices relating
2.8 to vaccines and immunizations, which includes, but is not limited to, vaccine storage and
2.9 handling, vaccine administration and documentation, and vaccine contraindications and
2.10 precautions.

2.11 Subd. 3. **Coordination of care.** After a dentist qualified under subdivision 2 has
2.12 administered ~~an influenza~~ a vaccine to a patient, the dentist shall report the administration
2.13 of the ~~immunization~~ vaccine to the Minnesota Immunization Information Connection ~~or~~
2.14 ~~otherwise notify the patient's primary physician or clinic of the administration of the~~
2.15 ~~immunization.~~

2.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.