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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill allows certain licensed dentists to administer influenza vaccinations to patients and requires reporting of an administration of an influenza vaccination to the Minnesota Immunization Information Connection or the patient's primary physician or clinic.

Section

1 Administration of influenza immunizations. Adds § 150A.055.

Subd. 1. Practice of dentistry. States a licensed dentist is deemed to be practicing dentistry while administering an influenza vaccination.

Subd. 2. Qualified dentists. Limits administration of an influenza vaccination to only patients 19 years of age and older and only by those dentists who have immediate access to emergency response equipment and have received training approved by the Board of Dentistry that includes specified topics. Also requires dentists giving influenza vaccinations to follow guidelines established by the federal Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

Subd. 3. Coordination of care. Requires dentists to report the administration of an influenza vaccination to the Minnesota Immunization Information Connection or otherwise notify the patient's primary physician or clinic.

Effective date. The effective date is January 1, 2015, and applies to influenza immunizations performed on or after that date.