

Subject Dentist authority to administer vaccines

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Summary

Under current law, dentists are permitted to administer influenza vaccines within the scope of dentistry practice. This bill amends section 150A.055 to allow dentists to administer COVID-19 vaccines, in addition to influenza vaccines, to eligible patients 16 years of age or older. The bill makes corresponding changes throughout the section, and removes language regarding notification of the patient's primary physician or clinic. The bill also makes the section effective the day following final enactment, and specifies that the authority to administer COVID-19 vaccines expires on June 1, 2022.