



UPDATES TO PHARMACIST IMMUNIZATION AUTHORITY 2021

ARKANSAS

[HB 1134](#)

- AR passed HB 1134, which allows pharmacists to independently prescribe and administer vaccines (and medications treating adverse reactions to vaccines) to persons 3 years of age and older.
- The legislature also passed [HB 1135](#) which allows pharmacy technicians to administer vaccines and immunizations.
- **Effective July 30, 2021**

CALIFORNIA

[AB-1064](#)

- CA passed AB-1064 which allows pharmacists to administer vaccines approved by the FDA after ACIP has provided their recommendation. Pharmacists can follow FDA recommendations, not ACIP.
 - **Effective October 8, 2021.**
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FLORIDA

[SB 768](#)

- FL passed SB 768, which allows pharmacists to administer certain vaccines and treatments and make it possible for more Floridians to receive needed protection from vaccines.
 - The bill cleans up existing language to maintain the statutory structure of current law from 2015-2021.
 - Revises the specified immunizations or vaccines that certified pharmacists and registered interns may administer to adults.
 - Authorizes certain pharmacists to administer influenza vaccines to individuals 7 years of age or older under certain circumstances.
 - **Effective date July 1, 2021**
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GEORGIA

[SB46](#)

- GA passed SB46, which authorizes certain medical personnel to administer vaccines during public health emergencies under certain conditions, and revises certain provisions relating to the administration of vaccine under vaccine protocol agreements.
 - **Effective date May 10, 2021.**
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NORTH CAROLINA

[HB96](#)

- NC passed HB96, which revises authorities granted to pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy interns to administer vaccines. Specifically, an immunizing pharmacist may administer:
 - Vaccinations recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and administered to persons at least 18 years of age pursuant to a specific prescription order.
 - Influenza vaccine to persons 10 and older.
 - Other vaccinations approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in accordance with the protocols established by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) to persons at least six years of age pursuant to a specific prescription order initiated by a prescriber following a physical examination of the patient by the prescriber.
 - **Effective date February 1, 2022.**
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ILLINOIS

[HB2499](#)

- IL passed HB2499 which amends the Pharmacy Practice Act to expand vaccination of patients 7 years of age and older pursuant to a valid prescription or standing order.
 - Eligible vaccines are those listed on the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Recommended Immunization Schedule, the CDC's Health Information for International Travel, or the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Vaccines Licensed and Authorized for Use in the United States.
 - **Effective date June 17, 2021**
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NEW YORK

[S4807A / A.6476A](#)

- The NY Assembly and Senate passed S4807A/A6476A which authorizes pharmacists to provide immunizations which are recommended by centers for disease control and prevention to patients eighteen years or older.
 - **Effective date November 2, 2021**
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OHIO

[HB 6](#)

- OH passed HB6 which authorizes pharmacists to administer any vaccine to individuals 13 and older and both influenza and COVID-19 vaccines to individuals age 7-13 without a prescription.
 - **Effective May 14, 2021**
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OKLAHOMA

[SB 398](#)

- OK passed SB398 which authorizes pharmacists to administer any FDA approved or authorized vaccine without a prescription, standing order, or similar arrangement.
 - **Effective April 22, 2021**
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VIRGINIA

[HB 2079](#)

- VA passed HB2079 which authorizes pharmacists to independently prescribe and administer (via statewide protocol) vaccines included on a CDC Immunization Schedule or that have an FDA emergency use authorization to persons 18 years of age or older
 - **Effective July 1, 2021**
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WISCONSIN

[AB 4](#)

- WI passed AB4 which authorizes pharmacy technicians and student pharmacists (interns) to administer vaccines and other drugs under direct supervision of a health care provider
- **Effective February 21, 2021**