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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to childhood vaccinations; requiring
3 that health care providers disclose information about
4 childhood vaccinations to a minor's parent or legal
5 guardian before vaccinating the minor; requiring the
6 Department of Health to develop a standardized form;
7 prohibiting a health care provider from administering
8 a vaccination to a minor until after the minor's
9 parent or guardian signs the form; requiring that the
10 parent or legal guardian sign the form within a
11 certain time; requiring certain health care providers
12 to provide information about childhood vaccines to
13 patients who are pregnant; requiring the department to
14 create and maintain a website; providing an effective
15 date.

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17 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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19 Section 1. (1) Before vaccinating a minor, a health care
20 provider who is licensed in this state and who, as a part of his
21 or her scope of practice, administers childhood vaccinations
22 shall consult with and disclose to the parent or legal guardian
23 of the minor information about any childhood vaccinations that
24 may be administered, including, but not limited to:

25 (a) Information contained in the vaccine package insert
26 which details the vaccine ingredients and contraindications.

27 (b) Potential side effects of the vaccine.

28 (c) The efficacy of the vaccine.

29 (d) Risks associated with the disease that the vaccination

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30 is intended to prevent.

31 (e) Options that are available with regard to the
32 administration of the vaccination, including the timing or
33 combination of multiple vaccinations.

34 (2) The Department of Health shall develop and provide to
35 each health care provider who is licensed in this state and who,
36 as a part of his or her scope of practice, administers childhood
37 vaccinations a standardized form indicating that the health care
38 provider has fulfilled the requirements in subsection (1). The
39 form shall be kept with the minor's permanent medical record.
40 The health care provider may not vaccinate a minor until after
41 the minor's parent or legal guardian signs the standardized
42 form. The parent or legal guardian of a minor shall sign and
43 date the standardized form:

44 (a) Immediately after the consultation; or

45 (b) At any time after the consultation when the parent or
46 guardian believes that he or she is adequately informed about
47 the vaccinations, but before the child is admitted to a licensed
48 child care facility in this state or enrolled in prekindergarten
49 through grade 12 of a public or private school in this state.

50 (3) A health care provider who is licensed in this state
51 and who, as a part of his or her scope of practice, renders
52 prenatal care to pregnant women shall provide information about
53 childhood vaccines to each patient who is in her 30th week of
54 pregnancy.

55 (4) The Department of Health shall create and maintain a
56 website that contains information regarding each childhood
57 vaccination and the standardized form described in subsection
58 (2).

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.