

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Flores

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to hospital licensure; amending s.
3 395.003, F.S.; authorizing certain specialty-licensed
4 children's hospitals to provide obstetrical services
5 under certain circumstances; providing an effective
6 date.

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

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10 Section 1. Subsection (6) of section 395.003, Florida
11 Statutes, is amended to read:

12 395.003 Licensure; denial, suspension, and revocation.—

13 (6) A specialty hospital may not provide any service or
14 regularly serve any population group beyond those services or
15 groups specified in its license.

16 (a) A specialty-licensed children's hospital that is
17 authorized to provide pediatric cardiac catheterization and
18 pediatric open-heart surgery services may provide cardiovascular
19 service to adults who, as children, were previously served by
20 the hospital for congenital heart disease, or to those patients
21 who are referred for a specialized procedure only for congenital
22 heart disease by an adult hospital, without obtaining additional
23 licensure as a provider of adult cardiovascular services. The
24 agency may request documentation as needed to support patient
25 selection and treatment. This paragraph ~~subsection~~ does not
26 apply to a specialty-licensed children's hospital that is
27 already licensed to provide adult cardiovascular services.

28 (b) A specialty-licensed children's hospital that has
29 licensed neonatal intensive care unit beds and is located in a

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30 county that has a population of 1,750,000 or more may provide
31 obstetrical services, in compliance with the agency's rules
32 pertaining to the obstetrical department in a hospital, to up to
33 10 beds for labor and delivery care, which services are
34 restricted to the diagnosis, care, and treatment of pregnant
35 women of any age who have documentation by an examining
36 physician which includes information regarding:

- 37 1. At least one fetal characteristic or condition that
38 would characterize the pregnancy or delivery as high risk; or
39 2. Medical advice or a diagnosis indicating that the fetus
40 may require at least one perinatal intervention.

41 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.