

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to medication administration; amending  
 3           s. 393.506, F.S.; revising competency assessment and  
 4           validation requirements for direct service providers  
 5           who administer or supervise the self-administration of  
 6           medication; providing an effective date.

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

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 10           Section 1. Section 393.506, Florida Statutes, is amended  
 11   to read:

12           393.506 Administration of medication.—

13           (1) A direct service provider who is not currently  
 14   licensed to administer medication may supervise the self-  
 15   administration of medication or may administer oral,  
 16   transdermal, ophthalmic, otic, rectal, inhaled, enteral, or  
 17   topical prescription medications to a client as provided in this  
 18   section.

19           (2) In order to supervise the self-administration of  
 20   medication or to administer medications as provided in  
 21   subsection (1), a direct service provider must satisfactorily  
 22   complete a training course of not less than 8 4 hours in  
 23   medication administration and be found competent to supervise  
 24   the self-administration of medication by a client or to  
 25   administer medication to a client in a safe and sanitary manner.

26 | In addition, a direct service provider must satisfactorily  
 27 | complete 2 hours per year of continuing education in medication  
 28 | administration and error prevention provided by the agency or  
 29 | its designee.

30 |       (a) Competency must be assessed and validated at least  
 31 | annually if oral or enteral medication administration is  
 32 | performed in the an onsite setting with an actual client and  
 33 | must include personally observing the direct service provider  
 34 | satisfactorily:

35 |           1.(a) Supervising the oral or enteral self-administration  
 36 | of medication by a client; and

37 |           2.(b) Orally or enterally administering medication to a  
 38 | client.

39 |       (b) Competency must be assessed and validated during the  
 40 | initial medication administration training course if otic,  
 41 | transdermal, or topical medication administration is performed  
 42 | in the onsite setting. The competency assessment must include  
 43 | personally observing the direct service provider satisfactorily  
 44 | simulating otic, transdermal, or topical medication  
 45 | administration.

46 |       (c) Competency must be assessed and validated and need not  
 47 | be revalidated if ophthalmic, rectal, or inhaled medication  
 48 | administration is performed in the onsite setting. The  
 49 | competency assessment must include the performance of  
 50 | ophthalmic, rectal, or inhaled medication administration on an

51 | actual client in the onsite setting.

52 |       (3) A direct service provider may supervise the self-  
53 | administration of medication by a client or may administer  
54 | medication to a client only if the client, or the client's  
55 | guardian or legal representative, has given his or her informed  
56 | consent to self-administering medication under the supervision  
57 | of an unlicensed direct service provider or to receiving  
58 | medication administered by an unlicensed direct service  
59 | provider. Such informed consent must be based on a description  
60 | of the medication routes and procedures that the direct service  
61 | provider is authorized to supervise or administer. Only a  
62 | provider who has received appropriate training and has been  
63 | validated as competent may supervise the self-administration of  
64 | medication by a client or may administer medication to a client.

65 |       (4) The determination of competency and annual validation  
66 | described ~~required~~ in this section shall be conducted by a  
67 | registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 464 or a physician  
68 | licensed pursuant to chapter 458 or chapter 459.

69 |       (5) The agency shall establish by rule standards and  
70 | procedures that a direct service provider must follow when  
71 | supervising the self-administration of medication by a client  
72 | and when administering medication to a client. Such rules must,  
73 | at a minimum, address requirements for labeling medication,  
74 | documentation and recordkeeping, the storage and disposal of  
75 | medication, instructions concerning the safe administration of

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76 medication or supervision of self-administered medication,  
77 informed-consent requirements and records, and the training  
78 curriculum and validation procedures.

79       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.