

By Senator Simon

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to autonomous practice by certain  
3           psychiatric nurses; amending s. 464.0123, F.S.;  
4           authorizing certain advanced practice registered  
5           nurses who are psychiatric nurses to engage in the  
6           autonomous practice of specified acts and in mental  
7           health practice, as defined by rule of the Board of  
8           Nursing; providing an effective date.

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

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12           Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section  
13   464.0123, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14           464.0123 Autonomous practice by an advanced practice  
15   registered nurse.—

16           (3) PRACTICE REQUIREMENTS.—

17           (a) An advanced practice registered nurse who is registered  
18   under this section may:

19           1. Engage in autonomous practice only in primary care  
20   practice, including family medicine, general pediatrics, and  
21   general internal medicine, as defined by board rule.

22           2. For certified nurse midwives, engage in autonomous  
23   practice in the performance of the acts listed in s.  
24   464.012(4)(c).

25           3. For psychiatric nurses, engage in autonomous practice in  
26   the performance of acts specified in s. 464.012(4)(e) and in  
27   mental health practice, as defined by board rule.

28           4. Perform the general functions of an advanced practice  
29   registered nurse under s. 464.012(3) related to primary care.

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30        5.4. For a patient who requires the services of a health  
31 care facility, as defined in s. 408.032(8):  
32        a. Admit the patient to the facility.  
33        b. Manage the care received by the patient in the facility.  
34        c. Discharge the patient from the facility, unless  
35 prohibited by federal law or rule.  
36        6.5. Provide a signature, certification, stamp,  
37 verification, affidavit, or endorsement that is otherwise  
38 required by law to be provided by a physician, except an  
39 advanced practice registered nurse registered under this section  
40 may not issue a physician certification under s. 381.986.  
41        Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.