

CHAPTER 2015-16

Senate Bill No. 332

An act relating to nursing home facility pneumococcal vaccination requirements; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; requiring a resident of a licensed facility to be assessed for eligibility for pneumococcal vaccination or revaccination by a specified date and, if indicated, to be vaccinated or revaccinated by a specified date; deleting obsolete provisions; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (t) of subsection (1) of section 400.141, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

400.141 Administration and management of nursing home facilities.—

(1) Every licensed facility shall comply with all applicable standards and rules of the agency and shall:

(t) ~~Assess each resident within 5 business days after admission all residents for eligibility for pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccination or revaccination. If indicated, the resident shall be vaccinated or revaccinated (PPV) and vaccinate residents when indicated within 60 days after admission the effective date of this act in accordance with the recommendations of the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, subject to exemptions for medical contraindications and religious or personal beliefs. Residents admitted after the effective date of this act shall be assessed within 5 working days of admission and, when indicated, vaccinated within 60 days in accordance with the recommendations of the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, subject to exemptions for medical contraindications and religious or personal beliefs. Immunization may shall not be provided to a any resident who provides documentation that he or she has been immunized as required by this paragraph. This paragraph does not prohibit A resident may elect to receive from receiving the immunization from his or her personal physician and, if such election is made, the if he or she so chooses. A resident who chooses to receive the immunization from his or her personal physician shall provide proof of the immunization to the facility. The agency may adopt and enforce any rules necessary to comply with or implement this paragraph.~~

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

Approved by the Governor May 14, 2015.

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