An act relating to emergency medical care and treatment to minors without parental consent; amending s. 743.064, F.S.; removing the requirement that emergency medical care or treatment to a minor without parental consent be administered in a hospital or college health service; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 743.064, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

743.064 Emergency medical care or treatment to minors without parental consent.—

(1) The absence of parental consent notwithstanding, a physician licensed under chapter 458 or an osteopathic physician licensed under chapter 459 may render emergency medical care or treatment to any minor who has been injured in an accident or who is suffering from an acute illness, disease, or condition if, within a reasonable degree of medical certainty, delay in initiation or provision of emergency medical care or treatment would endanger the health or physical well-being of the minor, and provided such emergency medical care or treatment is administered in a hospital licensed by the state under chapter 395 or in a college health service. Emergency medical care or treatment may also be rendered in the prehospital setting by paramedics, emergency medical technicians, and other emergency medical services personnel, provided such care is rendered consistent with the provisions of chapter 401. These persons shall follow the general guidelines and notification provisions of this section.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

Approved by the Governor April 6, 2022.

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