

HB 1241: Ordering of Medication

GENERAL BILL by Plasencia ; Campbell ; (CO-INTRODUCERS) Costello ; Edwards

Ordering of Medication; Providing that a pharmacist may dispense an emergency opioid antagonist pursuant to a non-patient-specific standing order for an autoinjection delivery system or intranasal application delivery system; revising the authority of a licensed physician assistant to order medication under the direction of a supervisory physician for a specified patient; revising the term "prescription" to exclude an order for drugs or medicinal supplies dispensed for administration; authorizing a licensed practitioner to authorize a licensed physician assistant or advanced registered nurse practitioner to order controlled substances for a specified patient under certain circumstances, etc.

Effective Date: 7/1/2016

Last Action: 3/28/2016 - Chapter No. [2016-145](#), companion bill(s) passed, see [HB 423](#) (Ch. [2016-224](#))

Location: Became Law

Bill Text: [PDF](#)

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The bill provides express authority for an advanced registered nurse practitioner to order any medication for administration to a patient in a hospital, ambulatory surgical center, nursing home, or mobile surgical facility within the framework of an established protocol. The bill also authorizes, pursuant to a supervising physician's delegation, a physician assistant to order any medication for administration to the supervising physician's patient in a nursing home.

The bill provides express authority in ch. 893, F.S., the Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act, for a supervisory physician to authorize a physician assistant or an advanced registered nurse practitioner to order controlled substances for administration to a patient in a hospital, ambulatory surgical center, nursing home, or mobile surgical facility.

The bill also authorizes a health care practitioner to prescribe and dispense, or a pharmacist to dispense, an emergency opioid antagonist pursuant to a non-patient specific standing order for an auto injection delivery system or intranasal application delivery system, which must be appropriately labeled with instructions for use.