

SENATE BILL NO. 2398

Introduced by

Senator O'Connell

Representatives Hunskor, Price

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-12.1 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the scope of practice of medical assistants; and to amend and
3 reenact subsection 9 of section 43-12.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the
4 professional regulation of medical assistants as a class of unlicensed assistive persons.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 9 of section 43-12.1-02 of the North Dakota
7 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

8 9. "Unlicensed assistive person" means an assistant to the nurse who regardless of
9 title is authorized by the board to perform nursing interventions delegated and
10 supervised by a nurse. The term includes a medical assistant who meets the
11 qualifications established by the board.

12 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 43-12.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
13 created and enacted as follows:

14 **Medical assistant - Rules - Scope of practice.**

15 1. The board shall adopt rules establishing standards for medical assistant scope of
16 practice, education, and training requirements.

17 2. In addition to any other medication and route of administration established by rule,
18 the rules adopted by the board must provide that under the delegation and
19 supervision of a nurse, a medical assistant may administer to an individual with
20 stable, predictable conditions the following medications by the following routes:

21 a. Oral, sublingual, and buccal medications;

22 b. Eye medications;

23 c. Ear medications;

24 d. Nasal medications;

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- 1 e. Rectal medications and enemas;
- 2 f. Vaginal medications;
- 3 g. Skin ointments;
- 4 h. Topical medications, including patches;
- 5 i. Transdermal medications;
- 6 j. Metered handheld inhalants;
- 7 k. Unit dose nebulizers;
- 8 l. Subcutaneous administration; and
- 9 m. Intramuscular injection.