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Present law authorizes a pharmacist to administer an influenza immunization to any person seven years of age or older without a prescription or medical order. Proposed law removes the age restriction in present law.

Present law requires a pharmacist to obtain appropriate credentialing from the Louisiana State Board of Pharmacy to administer influenza immunizations. Proposed law requires a pharmacist to complete training to administer influenza immunizations, as administratively defined by the board, prior to administering any such immunization. Proposed law requires a pharmacist to submit documentation verifying completion of the administratively required training upon request of the board.

Present law provides that a pharmacist shall administer the immunization in conformance with the most current protocol as set forth by the CDC. Proposed law retains present law and adds that the protocol may also be consistent with FDA approved labeling.

Proposed law repeals the requirement that a pharmacist inform the individual that the administration of an immunization or vaccine by the pharmacist is not to be construed as being in lieu of an annual checkup with the individual's primary care or family physician.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 37:1218(intro para), R.S. 37:1218(5), and 1218.1(A))