

## CHAPTER 103

### REGULATION OF THE PRACTICE OF PHARMACY

S.F. 296

**AN ACT** relating to the practice of pharmacy, including the prescription and administration of vaccines and collaborative pharmacy practice.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. [Section 155A.46, subsection 1](#), paragraph a, Code 2021, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (7) An immunization or vaccination for COVID-19 as defined in [section 686D.2](#).

Sec. 2. [Section 155A.46, subsection 1](#), Code 2021, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. e. A pharmacist may, pursuant to statewide protocols developed by the board in consultation with the department of public health and consistent with [subsection 2](#), order and administer the following to patients ages six years and older:

(1) Point-of-care testing and treatment for influenza, streptococcus A, and COVID-19 as defined in [section 686D.2](#) at the point of interaction between a pharmacist and a patient.

(2) Point-of-care testing at the point of interaction between a pharmacist and a patient in response to a public health emergency.

Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **155A.47 Collaborative pharmacy practice — agreements — payment.**

1. For the purposes of [this section](#):

a. “*Collaborative pharmacy practice*” means a practice of pharmacy whereby a pharmacist provides patient care and drug therapy management services not otherwise permitted to be performed by a pharmacist to patients under a collaborative pharmacy practice agreement with another pharmacist or practitioner which defines the nature, scope, conditions, and limitations of the patient care and drug therapy management services to be provided by a pharmacist in order to ensure that a patient achieves the desired outcomes.

b. “*Health benefit plan*” means the same as defined in [section 514J.102](#).

c. “*Health carrier*” means the same as defined in [section 514J.102](#).

2. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a pharmacist may engage in a collaborative pharmacy practice, in accordance with rules adopted by the board pursuant to [chapter 17A](#) and under a collaborative pharmacy practice agreement, to provide patient care and drug therapy management services to a patient.

3. Notwithstanding any provision of a health benefit plan to the contrary, whenever a health benefit plan provides for payment or reimbursement for a service that is within the lawful scope of practice of a practitioner or pharmacist and the service is provided by a pharmacist pursuant to a collaborative pharmacy practice agreement under [this section](#), the health carrier may provide payment or reimbursement for the service.

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