

Amendment to SB 200

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 4 with the following:

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3 4 Authorization for Pharmaceutical Agents RSA 327:6-a, V is repealed and reenacted to read as
4 follows:

5 V. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an optometrist who is certified to use
6 pharmaceutical agents in the practice of optometry shall be permitted to administer:

7 (a) Diphenhydramine, epinephrine, or an equivalent medication administered by
8 injection to counter anaphylaxis or anaphylactic reaction.

9 (b) Vaccines by injection to individuals 18 years of age or older. In order to administer
10 vaccines an optometrist shall:

11 (1) Hold a current license to practice optometry in the state of New Hampshire.

12 (2) Complete and remain current with an immunization training program endorsed
13 by the CDC, a course approved by the National Board of Examiners in Optometry, or an equivalent
14 course approved by the board of optometry, that at a minimum includes hands-on injection
15 techniques, clinical evaluation of indications and contraindications of vaccines, and the recognition
16 and treatment of emergency reactions to vaccines.

17 (3) Have at least \$1,000,000 of professional liability insurance coverage.

18 (4) Hold active certification in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

19 (5) Provide to the board of optometry evidence of compliance under RSA 327:6-a,
20 paragraph I through IV.

21 (6) Review the vaccine registry or other vaccination records before administering the
22 vaccination.

23 (7) Record the vaccination in the state vaccine registry in accordance with RSA 141-
24 C:20-f and when required by state or federal law and maintain a record of the vaccination as
25 required by state and federal law.

26 (8) When designated by the patient, provide notice to the primary care provider of
27 the administration of any vaccine.

28 (9) Submit reports of any adverse reactions following vaccination to the Centers for
29 Disease Control (CDC) Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS).