

CHAPTER 37

AN ACT concerning physical examinations of children and supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

C.26:2-191 Annual physical examination of child, questions relative to cardiac health required.

1. A licensed health care professional who performs an annual physical examination of a child 19 years of age or younger shall include as part of that examination questions that evaluate a child's family history related to cardiac conditions contained in the "Preparticipation Physical Evaluation" form developed jointly by the American Academy of Family Physicians, American Academy of Pediatrics, American College of Sports Medicine, American Medical Society for Sports Medicine, American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine, and American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine.

C.26:2-192 Completion, retention of Student-Athlete Cardiac Screening professional development module.

2. a. A physician, advanced practice nurse, or physician assistant who performs annual physical examinations of children 19 years of age or younger shall complete the Student-Athlete Cardiac Screening professional development module developed pursuant to subsection a. of section 3 of P.L.2013, c.71 (C.18A:40-41d).

b. Upon the first renewal of a certification, biennial registration, or renewal of a license by a physician, advanced practice nurse, or physician assistant after completing the Student-Athlete Cardiac Screening professional development module as required pursuant to subsection a. of this section, a physician, advanced practice nurse, or physician assistant who performs annual physical examinations of children 19 years of age or younger shall attest to the completion of the module to the Board of Medical Examiners or the Board of Nursing, as appropriate. An application for renewal of a certification, biennial registration, or renewal of a license shall include a check box for attestation regarding compliance with subsection a. of this section for a physician, advanced practice nurse, or physician assistant who performs annual physical examinations of children 19 years of age or younger.

c. A physician, advanced practice nurse, or physician assistant who completes the Student-Athlete Cardiac Screening professional development module as required pursuant to subsection a. of this section shall retain on file at that person's professional office a hard copy of the certificate of completion of the module. The hard copy of the certificate of completion of the module shall be made available upon request.

C.26:2-193 Rules, regulations.

3. The Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), and in consultation with the Commissioner of Health, shall adopt rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act.

4. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month next following the date of enactment, but the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs and the Commissioner of Health may take such anticipatory administrative action in advance thereof as shall be necessary for the implementation of this act.

Approved May 4, 2015.