

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2219**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Kathleen R. LaNatra***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to certified medical assistant administration of immunization.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kathleen R. LaNatra</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/18/2023</i>
<i>Christopher Hendricks</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>	<i>1/25/2023</i>

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By Representative LaNatra of Kingston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2219) of Kathleen R. LaNatra and Christopher Hendricks relative to certified medical assistant administration of immunization. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to certified medical assistant administration of immunization.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. Section 265 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out paragraphs (a) and (b) and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following two sections: -

4           (a) As used in this section, the following words shall have the following meanings unless  
5 the context clearly requires otherwise:

6           "Certified medical assistant", an individual who: (i) has graduated from a post-secondary  
7 medical assisting education program accredited by the committee on allied health education and  
8 accreditation of the American Medical Association or its successor, the Accrediting Bureau of  
9 Health Education Schools or its successor or another certificate program that the commissioner  
10 of public health may approve; (ii) is employed in a health care facility as defined in section 9C;  
11 and (iii) performs basic administrative, clerical, and clinical duties upon the specific

12 authorization and under the direct supervision of a practitioner as defined in section 1 of chapter  
13 94C.

14 "Direct supervision", oversight of a certified medical assistant exercised by a practitioner,  
15 as defined in section 1 of chapter 94C, who is present in the facility and immediately available to  
16 furnish assistance and direction throughout the course of the performance of a delegated  
17 procedure; provided, however, that the practitioner shall not be required to be present in the  
18 room when the procedure is performed.

19 (b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a practitioner acting  
20 within the practitioner's designated scope of practice may delegate the administration of an  
21 immunization of a patient to a certified medical assistant.