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AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH; REQUIRING HEALTH FACILITIES TO GRANT
CERTAIN PRIVILEGES TO CERTIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONERS AND
CERTIFIED NURSE-MIDWIVES IN PARITY WITH PHYSICIAN PRIVILEGES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. HEALTH FACILITIES--CERTIFIED NURSE
PRACTITIONERS--CERTIFIED NURSE-MIDWIVES--PRIVILEGES--PARITY
WITH PHYSICIANS.--

A. Unless required by federal law, a health facility shall establish the same criteria for granting patient admitting or discharge privileges or in authorizing continuing patient care for certified nurse practitioners, certified nurse-midwives and clinical nurse specialists as the health facility has established for physicians.

B. A health facility shall ensure that certified nurse practitioners, certified nurse-midwives and clinical nurse specialists acting in accordance with these professionals' respective scopes of practice under New Mexico law are:

(1) eligible to serve on the health facility's medical staff;

(2) credentialed under the same procedures as the health facility has established for physicians; and

(3) authorized to conduct peer review of

1 their professional colleagues.

2 C. As used in this section:

3 (1) "certified nurse-midwife" means an
4 individual licensed as a registered nurse pursuant to the
5 Nursing Practice Act and licensed by the department of health
6 as a certified nurse-midwife;

7 (2) "certified nurse practitioner" means a
8 registered nurse who is licensed by the board of nursing for
9 advanced practice as a certified nurse practitioner pursuant
10 to the Nursing Practice Act;

11 (3) "clinical nurse specialist" means a
12 registered nurse who is licensed by the board of nursing for
13 advanced practice as a clinical nurse specialist and whose
14 name and pertinent information are entered on the list of
15 clinical nurse specialists maintained by the board of
16 nursing;

17 (4) "health facility" means a health
18 facility licensed by the department of health pursuant to the
19 Public Health Act; and

20 (5) "physician" means an individual licensed
21 to practice as a medical doctor or an osteopathic physician.

22 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
23 provisions of this act is July 1, 2020. _____