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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to hospital licensure; amending s. 395.003, F.S.; authorizing certain specialty-licensed children's hospitals to provide obstetrical services under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (6) of section 395.003, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

395.003 Licensure; denial, suspension, and revocation.-

- (6) A specialty hospital may not provide any service or regularly serve any population group beyond those services or groups specified in its license.
- (a) A specialty-licensed children's hospital that is authorized to provide pediatric cardiac catheterization and pediatric open-heart surgery services may provide cardiovascular service to adults who, as children, were previously served by the hospital for congenital heart disease, or to those patients who are referred for a specialized procedure only for congenital heart disease by an adult hospital, without obtaining additional licensure as a provider of adult cardiovascular services. The agency may request documentation as needed to support patient selection and treatment. This paragraph subsection does not apply to a specialty-licensed children's hospital that is already licensed to provide adult cardiovascular services.
 - (b) A specialty-licensed children's hospital that has

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licensed neonatal intensive care unit beds may provide
obstetrical services, including labor and delivery care, to up
to ten patients, which services are restricted to the diagnosis,
care, and treatment of pregnant women of any age who have
documentation by an examining physician that includes
information regarding:

- 1. At least one fetal characteristic or condition that would characterize the pregnancy or delivery as high risk; or
- 2. Medical advice or a diagnosis indicating that the fetus may require at least one perinatal intervention.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.