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An act relating to administration of medication for

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persons with developmental disabilities; amending s. 393.506, F.S.; requiring a registered nurse or physician to assess and validate a direct service provider's competency in all routes of medication administration at an onsite setting with an actual client; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (4) of section 393.506, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

393.506 Administration of medication.

(4) A registered nurse licensed under chapter 464 or a physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459 shall annually assess and validate a direct service provider's competency in all routes of medication administration as provided in subsection (1), except for the topical, transdermal, and otic routes, in an onsite setting with an actual client. The topical, transdermal, and otic routes of medication administration may be validated by simulation during the required training course and do not require annual revalidation. The determination of competency and annual validation required in this section shall be conducted by a registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 464 or a physician licensed pursuant to chapter 458 or chapter 459.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.