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1 AN ACT Relating to renal disease facility health care assistants;
2 and amending RCW 18.135.020.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.135.020 and 1991 c 3 s 272 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 As used in this chapter:

7 (1) "Secretary" means the secretary of health.

8 (2) "Health care assistant" means an unlicensed person who assists
9 a licensed health care practitioner in providing health care to
10 patients pursuant to this chapter. However persons trained by a
11 federally approved end-stage renal disease facility who perform end-
12 stage renal dialysis are exempt from certification under this chapter.

13 (3) "Health care practitioner" means:

14 (a) A physician licensed under chapter 18.71 RCW;

15 (b) An osteopathic physician or surgeon licensed under chapter
16 18.57 RCW; or

17 (c) Acting within the scope of their respective licensures, a
18 *podiatrist licensed under chapter 18.22 RCW or a registered nurse
19 licensed under chapter 18.88 RCW.

1 (4) "Supervision" means supervision of procedures permitted
2 pursuant to this chapter by a health care practitioner who is
3 physically present and is immediately available in the facility during
4 the administration of injections, as defined in this chapter, but need
5 not be present during procedures to withdraw blood.

6 (5) "Health care facility" means any hospital, hospice care center,
7 licensed or certified health care facility, health maintenance
8 organization regulated under chapter 48.46 RCW, federally qualified
9 health maintenance organization, renal dialysis center or facility
10 federally approved under 42 C.F.R. 405.2100, blood bank federally
11 licensed under 21 C.F.R. 607, or clinical laboratory certified under 20
12 C.F.R. 405.1301-16.

13 (6) "Delegation" means direct authorization granted by a licensed
14 health care practitioner to a health care assistant to perform the
15 functions authorized in this chapter which fall within the scope of
16 practice of the delegator and which are not within the scope of
17 practice of the delegatee.

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