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1 AN ACT Relating to authorizing health care providers to use their
2 professional judgment and known remedies in treating and preventing
3 COVID-19; adding a new section to chapter 18.130 RCW; creating a new
4 section; and declaring an emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that medical
7 professionals internationally have used safe, known therapeutic
8 medicine and vitamin supplement remedies to prevent, treat, and cure
9 COVID-19 that have not been promoted or approved by the federal food
10 and drug administration for the treatment or prevention of COVID-19.
11 Therefore, the legislature intends to allow health care providers to
12 use all available options that have demonstrated efficacy so that
13 they can determine the best course of action for their patient's
14 individual needs.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 18.130
16 RCW to read as follows:

17 (1) A physician licensed under chapter 18.71 RCW, an osteopathic
18 physician licensed under chapter 18.57 RCW, an advanced registered
19 nurse practitioner licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW, a physician
20 assistant licensed under chapter 18.71A RCW, an osteopathic physician

1 assistant licensed under chapter 18.57A RCW, or a naturopath licensed
2 under chapter 18.36A RCW may prescribe, recommend, administer, or
3 distribute to a patient a known remedy to prevent, treat, or cure
4 COVID-19 and related symptoms or disorders.

5 (2) A health care provider acting in compliance with subsection
6 (1) of this section is not subject to professional disciplinary
7 action under this chapter based solely upon the health care provider
8 prescribing, recommending, administering, or distributing a known
9 remedy to prevent, treat, or cure COVID-19 and related symptoms or
10 disorders.

11 (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "known remedy"
12 means a prescription drug, biological product, mineral, or vitamin
13 that in the health care provider's professional judgment may prevent,
14 treat, or cure COVID-19 and related conditions, regardless of
15 approval by the federal food and drug administration for the
16 treatment or prevention of COVID-19. Known remedies include, but are
17 not limited to, hydroxychloroquine, ivermectin, budesonide,
18 monoclonal antibodies, zinc, vitamin D, and vitamin C.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate
20 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
21 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
22 effect immediately.

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