Citations Affected: IC 12-15; IC 16-37; IC 25-23; noncode.

Synopsis: Advanced practice registered nurses. Allows an advanced practice registered nurse who: (1) had primary responsibility for the treatment and care of a deceased individual for a period longer than six months; and (2) pronounced the time of death for the deceased individual; to certify a record on a death and enter the record into the Indiana death registration system. Provides that an advanced practice registered nurse with prescriptive authority and who has operated under a practice agreement with a practitioner for at least three years may operate without a practice agreement if certain conditions are met. Amends the hospital governing board requirements for the manner in which an advanced practice registered nurse who operates in the hospital will interact with other practitioners. Requires the Indiana state board of nursing to prepare a report to the general assembly concerning advance practice registered nurses who practice without a practice agreement. Makes a conforming change.

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2019.
ENGROSSED
SENATE BILL No. 394

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 12-15-5-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.129-2018, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019]: Sec. 14. (a) As used in this section, "advanced practice registered nurse" means:

(1) a nurse practitioner; or
(2) a clinical nurse specialist;
who is a registered nurse licensed under IC 25-23 and qualified to practice nursing in a specialty role based upon the additional knowledge and skill gained through a formal organized program of study and clinical experience, or the equivalent as determined by the Indiana state board of nursing.

(b) As used in this section, "office" includes the following:

(1) The office of the secretary of family and social services.
(2) A managed care organization that has contracted with the office of Medicaid policy and planning under this article.
(3) A person that has contracted with a managed care organization described in subdivision (2).
(c) The office shall reimburse eligible Medicaid claims for the following services provided by an advanced practice registered nurse employed by a community mental health center if the services are part of the advanced practice registered nurse's scope of practice:

1. Mental health services.
2. Behavioral health services.
4. Primary care services.
5. Evaluation and management services for inpatient or outpatient psychiatric treatment.
6. Prescription drugs.

(d) The office shall include an advanced practice registered nurse as an eligible provider for the supervision of a plan of treatment for a patient's outpatient mental health or substance abuse treatment services, if the supervision is in the advanced practice registered nurse's scope of practice, education, and training.

(e) This section:
1. may not be construed to expand an advanced practice registered nurse's scope of practice; and
2. is subject to IC 25-23-1-19.4(c). and applies only if the service is included in the advanced practice registered nurse's practice agreement with a collaborating physician.

SECTION 2. IC 16-37-1-3.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.156-2011, SECTION 33, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 3.1. (a) Beginning January 1, 2011, the state department shall establish the Indiana birth registration system (IBRS) for recording in an electronic format live births in Indiana.

(b) Beginning January 1, 2011, the state department shall establish the Indiana death registration system (IDRS) for recording in an electronic format deaths in Indiana.

(c) Submission of records on births and deaths shall be entered by:
1. funeral directors;
2. physicians;
3. coroners;
4. medical examiners;
5. persons in attendance at birth; and
6. local health departments; and
7. for purposes of records on deaths, advanced practice registered nurses providing primary care (as described in IC 16-37-3-0.5); using the electronic system created by the state department under this section.

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(d) A person in attendance at a live birth shall report a birth to the local health officer in accordance with IC 16-37-2-2.

(e) Death records shall be submitted as follows, using the Indiana death registration system:

1. The:
   - (A) physician last in attendance upon the deceased; or
   - (B) advanced practice registered nurse providing primary care to the deceased; or
   - (C) person in charge of interment;

shall initiate the document process. If the person in charge of interment initiates the process, the person in charge of interment shall electronically submit the certificate required under IC 16-37-3-5 to the physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advanced practice registered nurse providing primary care to the deceased not later than five (5) days after the death.

2. The physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advanced practice registered nurse providing primary care to the deceased shall electronically certify to the local health department the cause of death on the certificate of death not later than five (5) days after:
   - (A) initiating the document process; or
   - (B) receiving under IC 16-37-3-5 the electronic notification from the person in charge of interment.

3. The local health officer shall submit the reports required under IC 16-37-1-5 to the state department not later than five (5) days after electronically receiving under IC 16-37-3-5 the completed certificate of death from the physician last in attendance or the advanced practice registered nurse providing primary care.

SECTION 3. IC 16-37-3-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]:

Sec. 0.5. This chapter applies to an advanced practice registered nurse licensed under IC 25-23 if the advanced practice registered nurse:

1. had primary responsibility for the treatment and care of the deceased individual for a period longer than six (6) months; and

2. pronounced the time of death for the deceased individual.

SECTION 4. IC 16-37-3-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.122-2012, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]:

Sec. 3. (a) The physician last in attendance upon the deceased, the advanced practice registered nurse who provided
primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter, or the person in charge of interment shall file a certificate of death or of stillbirth with the local health officer of the jurisdiction in which the death or stillbirth occurred. The local health officer shall retain a copy of the certificate of death.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), beginning January 1, 2011, for a death occurring after December 31, 2010, the physician last in attendance upon the deceased, the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter, or the person in charge of interment shall use the Indiana death registration system established under IC 16-37-1-3.1 to file a certificate of death with the local health officer of the jurisdiction in which the death occurred.

SECTION 5. IC 16-37-3-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.156-2011, SECTION 36, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 4. The physician last in attendance upon the deceased, the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter, or the person in charge of interment shall secure the personal data required by the state department by rules adopted under IC 4-22-2 for preparation of the certificate of death or of stillbirth from the persons best qualified to give the information.

SECTION 6. IC 16-37-3-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.122-2012, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 5. (a) If the person in charge of interment initiates the process, the person in charge of interment shall present a certificate of death to the physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advance practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter, who shall certify the cause of death on the certificate of death or of stillbirth.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), beginning January 1, 2011, for a death occurring after December 31, 2010, using the Indiana death registration system established under IC 16-37-1-3.1, if the person in charge of interment initiates the process, the person in charge of interment shall electronically provide a certificate of death to the physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter. The physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter shall electronically certify to the local health department the cause of death on the certificate of death, using the Indiana death registration system.
SECTION 7. IC 16-37-3-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 6. (a) If:
(1) a death or stillbirth occurred without medical attendance; or
(2) the physician last in attendance or the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter is physically or mentally unable to sign the certificate of death or stillbirth;
the local health officer shall inquire into the cause of death from anyone having knowledge of the facts regarding the cause of death.
(b) The local health officer may issue a subpoena to obtain information and to employ a qualified pathologist to perform an autopsy when, in the judgment of the local health officer, those procedures are required to complete the inquiry. The local health officer shall then certify the cause of death on the basis of the information.

SECTION 8. IC 25-23-1-19.4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.129-2018, SECTION 30, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 19.4. (a) This section does not apply to certified registered nurse anesthetists.
(b) As used in this section, "practitioner" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-42-19.5. However, the term does not include the following:
(1) A veterinarian.
(2) An advanced practice registered nurse.
(3) A physician assistant.
(4) Beginning July 1, 2022:
(A) a podiatrist;
(B) an optometrist; or
(C) a dentist.
(c) Except as provided in subsection (d), an advanced practice registered nurse shall operate: practice:
(1) in collaboration with a licensed practitioner as evidenced by a practice agreement;
(2) by privileges granted by the governing board of a hospital licensed under IC 16-21 with the advice of the medical staff of the hospital that sets forth the manner in which an advanced practice registered nurse and a licensed practitioner will cooperate, coordinate, and consult with each other practitioners in the provision of health care to their patients; or
(3) by privileges granted by the governing body of a hospital operated under IC 12-24-1 that sets forth the manner in which an advanced practice registered nurse and a licensed practitioner will
cooperate, coordinate, and consult with each other practitioners in the provision of health care to their patients.

(d) An advanced practice registered nurse with prescriptive authority may practice without a practice agreement if the following conditions are met:

1. The advanced practice registered nurse has practiced under a practice agreement with a practitioner for the full time equivalent of at least three (3) years.
2. The practitioner described in subdivision (1) has been licensed in Indiana for a minimum of five (5) years with the practitioner's respective governing board.
3. The practitioner has reviewed at least five percent (5%) of the advanced practice registered nurse's prescriptive charts during the practice agreement period.
4. The advanced practice registered nurse has submitted an attestation to the board to the completion of the required three (3) year practice agreement.
5. The advanced practice registered nurse practices in the same practice area in which the advanced practice registered nurse practiced with the practitioner under a practice agreement.
6. The advanced practice registered nurse establishes a referral plan to other appropriate practitioners for complex medical cases, emergencies, and cases that are beyond the advanced practice registered nurse's scope of practice.

The board shall designate on the advanced practice registered nurse's prescriptive authority license, in a manner determined by the board, that the advanced practice registered nurse has completed the requirements of this subsection.

(e) If an advanced practice registered nurse practices independently without a practice agreement, the advanced practice registered nurse shall notify patients, through posting in a prominent and conspicuous place in the patient waiting area, that the advanced practice registered nurse is practicing independently.

SECTION 9. IC 25-23-1-19.6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.129-2018, SECTION 32, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 19.6. (a) When the board grants authority to an advanced practice registered nurse to prescribe legend drugs under this chapter, the board shall assign an identification number to the advanced practice registered nurse.

(b) An advanced practice registered nurse who is granted authority by the board to prescribe legend drugs must do the following:
(1) Enter on each prescription form that the advanced practice
registered nurse uses to prescribe a legend drug:
(A) the signature of the advanced practice registered nurse;
(B) initials indicating the credentials awarded to the advanced
practice registered nurse under this chapter; and
(C) the identification number assigned to the advanced
practice registered nurse under subsection (a).
(2) Comply with all applicable state and federal laws concerning
prescriptions for legend drugs.
(c) An advanced practice registered nurse may be granted authority
to prescribe legend drugs under this chapter only within the scope of
practice of the advanced practice registered nurse and, if applicable,
the scope of the licensed collaborating health practitioner.
SECTION 10. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) Before July 1,
2023, the Indiana state board of nursing shall report to the general
assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 the following
information concerning advanced practice registered nurses who
practice without a practice agreement:
(1) The number who have been authorized to practice without
a practice agreement.
(2) The geographic practice areas.
(3) The medical population practice areas.
(4) A summary of disciplinary actions taken.
(b) This SECTION expires December 31, 2023.
SECTION 11. An emergency is declared for this act.
COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Health and Provider Services, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 394, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

> Page 2, reset in roman line 30.
> Page 2, line 31, reset in roman "(3)".
> Page 2, line 31, delete ") (2)".
> Page 2, between lines 31 and 32, begin a new line block indented and insert:
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> "(4) Beginning July 1, 2022:
> 
> (A) a podiatrist;
> (B) an optometrist; or
> (C) a dentist.".

> Page 3, line 33, strike "operate:" and insert "practice:".
> Page 3, line 6, delete "operate" and insert "practice".
> Page 3, line 8, delete "operated" and insert "practiced".
> Page 3, line 9, after "for" insert "the full time equivalent of".
> Page 3, line 9, delete "one" and insert "three (3) years.".
> Page 3, delete line 10.
> Page 3, line 18, delete "one" and insert "three (3)".
> Page 3, line 19, delete "(1)".
> Page 3, between lines 19 and 20, begin a new line block indented and insert:
> 
> "(5) The advanced practice registered nurse practices in the same practice area in which the advanced practice registered nurse practiced with the practitioner under a practice agreement.

> (6) The advanced practice registered nurse establishes a referral plan to other appropriate practitioners for complex medical case, emergencies, and cases that are beyond the advanced practice registered nurse's scope of practice.".

> Page 3, line 20, delete "include an "I" after the prescriptive authority" and insert "designate on the advanced practice registered nurse's prescriptive authority license, in a manner determined by the board, that the advanced practice registered nurse has completed the requirements of this subsection.

> (e) If an advanced practice registered nurse practices independently without a practice agreement, the advanced practice registered nurse shall notify patients, through posting in a
prominent and conspicuous place in the patient waiting area, that the advanced practice registered nurse is practicing independently."

Page 3, delete lines 21 and 22, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 3. IC 25-23-1-19.6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.129-2018, SECTION 32, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 19.6. (a) When the board grants authority to an advanced practice registered nurse to prescribe legend drugs under this chapter, the board shall assign an identification number to the advanced practice registered nurse.

(b) An advanced practice registered nurse who is granted authority by the board to prescribe legend drugs must do the following:

(1) Enter on each prescription form that the advanced practice registered nurse uses to prescribe a legend drug:

(A) the signature of the advanced practice registered nurse;
(B) initials indicating the credentials awarded to the advanced practice registered nurse under this chapter; and
(C) the identification number assigned to the advanced practice registered nurse under subsection (a).

(2) Comply with all applicable state and federal laws concerning prescriptions for legend drugs.

(c) An advanced practice registered nurse may be granted authority to prescribe legend drugs under this chapter only within the scope of practice of the advanced practice registered nurse and, if applicable, the scope of the licensed collaborating health practitioner.

SECTION 4 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) Before October 1, 2019, the Indiana state board of nursing shall study and report to the general assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 the following information concerning advanced practice registered nurses:

(1) The clinical training required for an advanced practice registered nurse in Indiana.
(2) Information concerning the implementation of this act concerning allowing advanced practice registered nurses to operate without a practice agreement with a practitioner, as specified in this act.
(b) This SECTION expires December 31, 2019.

SECTION 5. An emergency is declared for this act."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 394 as introduced.)

CHARBONNEAU, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 1.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Public Health, to which was referred Senate Bill 394, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, between lines 22 and 23, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 2. IC 16-37-1-3.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.156-2011, SECTION 33, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 3.1. (a) Beginning January 1, 2011, the state department shall establish the Indiana birth registration system (IBRS) for recording in an electronic format live births in Indiana.

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(c) Submission of records on births and deaths shall be entered by:

(1) funeral directors;
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(3) coroners;
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(5) persons in attendance at birth; and
(6) local health departments; and

(7) for purposes of records on deaths, advanced practice registered nurses providing primary care (as described in IC 16-37-3-0.5);

using the electronic system created by the state department under this section.

(d) A person in attendance at a live birth shall report a birth to the local health officer in accordance with IC 16-37-2-2.

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1. The:
   (A) physician last in attendance upon the deceased; or
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   (C) person in charge of interment;

shall initiate the document process. If the person in charge of interment initiates the process, the person in charge of interment shall electronically submit the certificate required under IC 16-37-3-5 to the physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advanced practice registered nurse providing primary care to the deceased not later than five (5) days after the death.

2. The physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advanced practice registered nurse providing primary care to the deceased shall electronically certify to the local health department the cause of death on the certificate of death not later than five (5) days after:
   (A) initiating the document process; or
   (B) receiving under IC 16-37-3-5 the electronic notification from the person in charge of interment.

3. The local health officer shall submit the reports required under IC 16-37-1-5 to the state department not later than five (5) days after electronically receiving under IC 16-37-3-5 the completed certificate of death from the physician last in attendance or the advanced practice registered nurse providing primary care.

SECTION 3. IC 16-37-3-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]:

Sec. 0.5. This chapter applies to an advanced practice registered nurse licensed under IC 25-23 if the advanced practice registered nurse:

1. had primary responsibility for the treatment and care of the deceased individual for a period longer than six (6) months; and

2. pronounced the time of death for the deceased individual.

SECTION 4. IC 16-37-3-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.122-2012, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]:

Sec. 3. (a) The physician last in attendance upon the deceased, the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter, or the person in charge of interment shall file a certificate of death or of stillbirth with the local health officer of the jurisdiction in which the
death or stillbirth occurred. The local health officer shall retain a copy of the certificate of death.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), beginning January 1, 2011, for a death occurring after December 31, 2010, the physician last in attendance upon the deceased, the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter, or the person in charge of interment shall use the Indiana death registration system established under IC 16-37-1-3.1 to file a certificate of death with the local health officer of the jurisdiction in which the death occurred.

SECTION 5. IC 16-37-3-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.156-2011, SECTION 36, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 4. The physician last in attendance upon the deceased, the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter, or the person in charge of interment shall secure the personal data required by the state department by rules adopted under IC 4-22-2 for preparation of the certificate of death or of stillbirth from the persons best qualified to give the information.

SECTION 6. IC 16-37-3-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.122-2012, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 5. (a) If the person in charge of interment initiates the process, the person in charge of interment shall present a certificate of death to the physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter, who shall certify the cause of death upon the certificate of death or of stillbirth.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), beginning January 1, 2011, for a death occurring after December 31, 2010, using the Indiana death registration system established under IC 16-37-1-3.1, if the person in charge of interment initiates the process, the person in charge of interment shall electronically provide a certificate of death to the physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter. The physician last in attendance upon the deceased or the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter shall electronically certify to the local health department the cause of death on the certificate of death, using the Indiana death registration system.

SECTION 7. IC 16-37-3-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 6. (a) If:
(1) a death or stillbirth occurred without medical attendance; or
(2) the physician last in attendance or the advanced practice registered nurse who provided primary care as described in section 0.5 of this chapter is physically or mentally unable to sign the certificate of death or stillbirth;
the local health officer shall inquire into the cause of death from anyone having knowledge of the facts regarding the cause of death.
(b) The local health officer may issue a subpoena to obtain information and to employ a qualified pathologist to perform an autopsy when, in the judgment of the local health officer, those procedures are required to complete the inquiry. The local health officer shall then certify the cause of death on the basis of the information.

Page 3, line 30, delete "case," and insert "cases,"
Page 4, line 20, delete "October" and insert "July"
Page 4, line 21, delete "2019," and insert "2023,"
Page 4, line 21, delete "study and"
Page 4, line 24, delete "nurses:" and insert "nurses who practice without a practice agreement:".
Page 4, delete lines 25 through 30, begin a new line block indented and insert:
"(1) The number who have been authorized to practice without a practice agreement.
(2) The geographic practice areas.
(3) The medical population practice areas.
(4) A summary of disciplinary actions taken."
Page 4, line 31, delete "2019." and insert "2023."

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 394 as printed February 8, 2019.)

KIRCHHOFER
Committee Vote: yeas 8, nays 4.

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