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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 323, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "**§323- Practice by advanced practice registered nurses.**

5 Each hospital in the State licensed under section 321-14.5 shall  
6 allow advanced practice registered nurses recognized pursuant to  
7 section 457-8.5 and qualified advanced practice registered  
8 nurses granted prescriptive authority pursuant to section 457-  
9 8.6 to practice at the hospital within the full scope of  
10 practice authorized under chapter 457, including practice as a  
11 primary care provider."

12           SECTION 2. Section 457-8.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14           "**§457-8.6 Prescriptive authority for advanced practice**  
15 **registered nurses.** (a) The board shall grant prescriptive  
16 authority to qualified advanced practice registered nurses and  
17 shall designate the requirements for advanced nursing practice  
18 related to prescriptive authority. The board shall determine



1 the exclusionary formulary for qualified advanced practice  
2 registered nurses who are granted prescriptive authority.

3 (b) The department of commerce and consumer affairs shall  
4 establish a joint formulary advisory committee composed of:

5 (1) Two persons licensed as advanced practice registered  
6 nurses and appointed by the board;

7 (2) Two persons licensed in medicine by the Hawaii medical  
8 board and appointed by the Hawaii medical board;

9 (3) Three persons licensed as pharmacists and appointed by  
10 the board of pharmacy;

11 (4) One representative of the University of Hawaii John A.  
12 Burns school of medicine appointed by the dean of the  
13 University of Hawaii John A. Burns school of medicine;  
14 and

15 (5) One representative from a school of nursing with an  
16 advanced practice registered nurse program.

17 The joint formulary advisory committee shall recommend the  
18 applicable formulary for persons recognized under this section.

19 The board shall consider the recommendations of the joint  
20 formulary advisory committee in adopting the formulary. [~~The~~  
21 ~~appropriate working relationship with licensed physicians shall~~



1 ~~be reflected in rules adopted by the board in accordance with~~  
2 ~~chapter 91.]~~

3 (c) The board shall establish [~~nursing~~] requirements for  
4 advanced practice registered nurses' education, experience, and  
5 national certification pursuant to rules adopted in accordance  
6 with chapter 91.

7 (d) Advanced practice registered nurses shall be  
8 considered qualified if they have met the requirements of  
9 section 457-8.5(a), and have met the advanced pharmacology  
10 requirements for initial prescriptive authority pursuant to  
11 rules adopted by the board. Only qualified advanced practice  
12 registered nurses authorized to diagnose, prescribe, and  
13 institute therapy or referrals of patients to health care  
14 agencies, health care providers, and community resources and,  
15 only as appropriate[~~7~~] to the practice specialty in which the  
16 advanced practice nurse is qualified, may:

17 (1) Prescribe and administer over the counter [~~and~~] drugs,  
18 legend drugs, and controlled substances pursuant to  
19 this chapter and to chapter 329[~~7~~] and request,  
20 receive, and dispense manufacturers' prepackaged  
21 samples of over the counter and non-controlled legend



1           drugs to patients under their care; provided that an  
2           advanced practice registered nurse shall not request,  
3           receive, or sign for professional controlled substance  
4           samples;

5           (2) Prescribe, order, and dispense medical devices and  
6           equipment; and

7           (3) Plan and initiate a therapeutic regimen that includes  
8           nutritional, diagnostic, and supportive services  
9           including home health care, hospice, and physical and  
10          occupational therapy."

11          SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
12          and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

13          SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



**Report Title:**

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse; Hospitals

**Description:**

Requires hospitals to allow advanced practice registered nurses to practice within the full scope of allowable practice, including as a primary care provider. Authorizes advanced practice registered nurses with prescriptive authority to request, receive, and dispense samples of over the counter and non-controlled legend drugs. (HB484 CD1)

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