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establish the specifications for administering medications, drugs, devices and other materials within the practice of pharmacy.

LD 615 An Act To Remove the Advanced Cardiac Life Support Certification Requirement for Dental Therapists

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 44 repeals the requirement that a dental hygienist who applies for dental therapist authority provide verification of a current advanced cardiac life support certification.

Public Law 2021, chapter 44 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 5, 2021.

LD 631 An Act To Provide Funding for Maine's Health Insurance Consumer Assistance Program

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 206 clarifies that the State is responsible for funding the Health Insurance Consumer Assistance Program.

The law also provides continued funding of \$200,000 for the Health Insurance Consumer Assistance Program in fiscal years 2021-22 and 2022-23 through a transfer of available Other Special Revenue Funds balances from the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to the Department of the Attorney General.

LD 653 An Act To Provide Maine Residents Losing Employer-based Health Coverage with Information about Other Coverage

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 80 requires insurers, when terminating group health coverage, to provide information to policyholders, including employers, that can be shared with group members about their eligibility for any special enrollment period to purchase an individual health plan pursuant to the federal Affordable Care and Patient Protection Act and about the availability of public health coverage options like MaineCare. The law also adds minimum requirements as to the content of the form provided to policy holders.