

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to direct the Department of Health to amend its regulations on coverage for nursery services to allow*  
3 *certain certified nurse midwives, licensed certified midwives, or pediatric nurse practitioners to be on the*  
4 *24-hour on-call duty roster for general level newborn nursery services.*

5 [H 1904]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

8 **1. § 1.** *The Department of Health shall amend subdivision C 1 of 12VAC5-410-444 of the Virginia*  
9 *Administrative Code to permit, for hospitals that provide general level newborn nursery services:*

10 *1. If a physician is not available, a certified nurse midwife, licensed certified midwife, or pediatric nurse*  
11 *practitioner to be on the 24-hour on-call duty roster for nursery care. In order to be on the 24-hour on-call*  
12 *duty roster, such health care providers shall have pediatric privileges and a neonatal resuscitation*  
13 *certification from the American Academy of Pediatrics, including endotracheal intubation training. Such*  
14 *health care providers shall be subject to the same requirement that applies to physicians regarding their*  
15 *capability of arriving on site within 30 minutes of notification.*

16 *2. A physician to provide consultation via telehealth, including audio-only consultation, when a certified*  
17 *nurse midwife, licensed certified midwife, or pediatric nurse practitioner is providing coverage for the 24-*  
18 *hour on-call duty roster and a physician is incapable of arriving on site within 30 minutes of notification.*

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