
SENATE BILL No. 90

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Synopsis: Consent for pelvic, prostate, and rectal exams.

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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:

1 SECTION 1. IC 25-1-9-4.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2026]: **Sec. 4.2. (a) A practitioner, a student in training in a
4 medical school, an intern, a resident, a graduate student, or an
5 individual participating in a clinical training or resident program
6 may not perform a pelvic, prostate, or rectal examination on a
7 sedated, anesthetized, or unconscious patient unless one (1) of the
8 following conditions is met:**
9 (1) The patient, patient's guardian, or patient's health care
10 representative (as defined in IC 16-21-12-4) provides prior
11 written informed consent to the pelvic, prostate, or rectal
12 examination through the notice described in subsection (b).
13 (2) The performance of a pelvic, prostate, or rectal
14 examination is within the scope of care ordered for the
15 surgical procedure or diagnostic examination to be
16 performed on the patient and the patient, patient's guardian,
17 or patient's health care representative has given informed

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- 1 consent.
- 2 (3) A medical emergency exists and the pelvic, prostate, or
- 3 rectal examination is immediately necessary for diagnostic
- 4 examination or treatment of the patient, including the
- 5 conducting of a rape kit.
- 6 (4) A court has ordered the performance of the pelvic,
- 7 prostate, or rectal examination for the purposes of the
- 8 collection of evidence.
- 9 (b) A written informed consent described in subsection (a)(1)
- 10 must meet the following:
- 11 (1) Be separate from any other notice or agreement.
- 12 However, the informed consent does not have to be separate
- 13 if the pelvic, prostate, or rectal examination is within the
- 14 scope of care for the surgical procedure or diagnostic
- 15 examination to be performed on the patient.
- 16 (2) Specify the nature and purpose of the examination.
- 17 (3) Include a description of the procedure to be performed.
- 18 (4) State the name of the individual performing or
- 19 supervising the examination.
- 20 (5) Disclose whether a student will be performing or
- 21 observing the examination.
- 22 (6) Allow the patient, patient's guardian, or patient's health
- 23 care representative to decline the examination.
- 24 (7) Allow the patient, patient's guardian, or patient's health
- 25 care representative to decline allowing a student to perform
- 26 or observe the examination.
- 27 (8) Include a signature line for the patient, patient's
- 28 guardian, or patient's health care representative to consent
- 29 or refuse to consent to an examination on a sedated,
- 30 anesthetized, or unconscious patient as described in
- 31 subsection (a).
- 32 The signature of consent must be obtained in order to proceed with
- 33 the pelvic, prostate, or rectal examination on a sedated,
- 34 anesthetized, or unconscious patient as described in subsection
- 35 (a)(1).
- 36 (c) The refusal by the patient, patient's guardian, or patient's
- 37 health care representative to consent to an examination described
- 38 in subsection (a)(1) may not affect the medical procedure for which
- 39 the patient is scheduled to receive.
- 40 (d) Nothing in this section diminishes any other statutory
- 41 requirement for a practitioner, a student in training in a medical
- 42 school, an intern, a resident, a graduate student, or an individual

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- 1 participating in a clinical training or resident program to obtain
- 2 informed consent.

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