

# Senate Bill 285

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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Prohibits individual from using title "medication aide" or "Certified Medication Aide" or abbreviation "CMA" unless individual is certified nursing assistant and meets certain other criteria established by Oregon State Board of Nursing.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to nursing assistants; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 678.440.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 678.440 is amended to read:

5 678.440. (1) **As used in this section and ORS 678.442, 678.444 and 678.445 and section 3 of**  
6 **this 2015 Act, "nursing assistant" means an individual who assists licensed nursing personnel**  
7 **in the provision of nursing care.**

8 [(1)] (2) It is the intent of the Legislative Assembly to require that nursing assistants be ade-  
9 quately trained.

10 [(2)] (3) The Oregon State Board of Nursing shall prepare curricula and standards for training  
11 programs for nursing assistants. [Such] **The** curricula and standards [shall] **must** provide for addi-  
12 tional training for nursing assistants to **have the authority to** administer noninjectable  
13 medications.

14 [(3)] (4) The Department of Human Services may impose civil penalties or revoke the license of  
15 any long term care facility that employs [any] **an** untrained nursing assistant for a period of more  
16 than eight weeks without providing for the training prescribed by the board. Any license [which]  
17 **that** is revoked shall be revoked as provided in ORS 441.030.

18 [(4)] (5) The Oregon Health Authority may impose civil penalties or revoke the license of [any]  
19 **a** health care facility that employs any untrained nursing assistant for a period of more than eight  
20 weeks without providing for the training prescribed by the board. Any license [which] **that** is re-  
21 voked shall be revoked as provided in ORS 441.030.

22 [(5) As used in this section, "nursing assistant" means a person who assists licensed nursing per-  
23 sonnel in the provision of nursing care.]

24 **SECTION 2. Section 3 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 678.010 to**  
25 **678.445.**

26 **SECTION 3. (1) An individual may not use the title "medication aide" or "Certified**  
27 **Medication Aide" or the abbreviation "CMA" unless the individual:**

28 (a) **Is a nursing assistant;**

29 (b) **Has successfully completed training prescribed by the Oregon State Board of Nursing**  
30 **pursuant to ORS 678.440 for the administration of noninjectable medications; and**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted.  
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

- 1           **(c) Is authorized by the board to administer noninjectable medications.**  
2           **(2) An individual who is currently enrolled in a program approved by the board under**  
3 **ORS 678.444 that includes training in the administration of noninjectable medications may**  
4 **use the title “student medication aide.”**  
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