Ohio Revised Code
Section 5123.43 Training courses for administration of prescribed medications and performance of health-related activities.
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(A) The department of developmental disabilities shall develop courses for the training of developmental disabilities personnel in the administration of medications and performance of health-related activities pursuant to the authority granted under section 5123.42 of the Revised Code. The department may develop separate or combined training courses for the administration of prescribed medications, administration of over-the-counter medications, and performance of health-related activities. Training in the administration of prescribed medications through gastrostomy and jejunostomy tubes, the administration of insulin, the administration of medications for the treatment of metabolic glycemic disorders, the activation of a vagal nerve stimulator, and the administration of epinephrine through an autoinjector may be developed as separate courses or included in a course providing training in the administration of other prescribed medications.

(B)(1) The department shall adopt rules in accordance with section 5123.46 of the Revised Code that specify the content and length of the training courses developed under this section. The rules may include any other standards the department considers necessary for the training courses.

(2) In adopting rules that specify the content of a training course or part of a training course that trains developmental disabilities personnel in the administration of prescribed medications, the department shall ensure that the content includes all of the following:

(a) Infection control and universal precautions;

(b) Correct and safe practices, procedures, and techniques for administering prescribed medications;

(c) Assessment of drug reaction, including known side effects, interactions, and the proper course of action if a side effect occurs;

(d) The requirements for documentation of medications administered to each individual;
(e) The requirements for documentation and notification of medication errors;

(f) Information regarding the proper storage and care of medications;

(g) Information about proper receipt of prescriptions and transcription of prescriptions into an individual's medication administration record;

(h) Course completion standards that require successful demonstration of proficiency in administering prescribed medications;

(i) Any other material or course completion standards that the department considers relevant to the administration of prescribed medications by developmental disabilities personnel.

The Legislative Service Commission presents the text of this section as a composite of the section as amended by multiple acts of the General Assembly. This presentation recognizes the principle stated in R.C. 1.52(B) that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation.