

HB 370 -- HIV PREVENTION

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This bill allows a pharmacist to dispense medication for HIV preexposure prophylaxis and HIV postexposure prophylaxis without a prescription. The pharmacist must complete a training program.

For medication for HIV preexposure prophylaxis, the pharmacist must document that the patient tested negative for HIV, the patient does not report any signs or symptoms of acute HIV infection, and the patient is not taking any contraindicated medications. The pharmacist can provide a 30-day supply to the patient once every two years.

For medication for HIV postexposure prophylaxis, the pharmacist must determine that the exposure occurred within the previous 72 hours, the patient meets the clinical guidelines for the medication, and the patient is willing to undergo HIV testing.

The pharmacist must provide counseling about the use of the medication (which the patient cannot waive), advise the patient that he or she must see a primary care physician to receive additional prescriptions, and notify the patient's primary care provider or provide a list of providers to the patient.

This bill is similar to HCS HB 2304 (2020).