



Pat Quinn, Governor
Damon T. Arnold, M.D., M.P.H., Director

525-535 West Jefferson Street • Springfield, Illinois 62761-0001 • www.idph.state.il.us

What is the purpose of the Governor's Proclamation?

The goal of the Governor's Proclamation is to expedite the administration of the influenza vaccines so that large numbers of people can be vaccinated in a short period of time. The Governor's Proclamation also allows the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) to exercise emergency powers, including the modification of scopes of practice for health care professionals licensed by the respective agencies.

What will the IDPH and IDFPR proclamations accomplish?

The IDPH and IDFPR proclamations modify the scopes of practice for various health care professionals to allow, but not require, those covered professionals to administer influenza vaccines. The purpose of the scopes of practice modification is to provide additional manpower to local health departments and hospitals in managing and running H1N1 and seasonal influenza vaccine clinics.

What professional scopes of practice are being modified?

IDPH's proclamation modifies the scope of practice for Emergency Medical Technician- Intermediates and Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedics.

IDFPR's proclamation modifies the scopes of practice for pharmacists, dentists, advance practice nurses, registered nurses, licensed practice nurses, medical residents, physician assistants, medical students, pharmacy students and nursing students.

In both proclamations, the covered professionals can only utilize the modified scopes of practice when under the direction of IEMA and IDPH, an Illinois Emergency Management Agency-certified emergency services and disaster agency, or a certified local health department. A practitioner with a modified scope of practice shall only operate pursuant to a vaccine provider agreement with IDPH.