

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact §§ 38.2-3408 and 38.2-4221 of the Code of Virginia, relating to*
3 *insurance; reimbursement for services provided by a licensed athletic trainer.*

4 [H 45]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That §§ 38.2-3408 and 38.2-4221 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 38.2-3408. Policy providing for reimbursement for services that may be performed by certain**
9 **practitioners other than physicians.**10 A. If an accident and sickness insurance policy provides reimbursement for any service that may be
11 legally performed by a person licensed in this Commonwealth as a chiropractor, optometrist, optician,
12 professional counselor, psychologist, clinical social worker, podiatrist, physical therapist, chiropodist,
13 clinical nurse specialist, audiologist, speech pathologist, certified nurse midwife or other nurse
14 practitioner, marriage and family therapist, *athletic trainer*, or licensed acupuncturist, reimbursement
15 under the policy shall not be denied because the service is rendered by the licensed practitioner,
16 *provided that, for services performed by an athletic trainer, such service is performed in an office*
17 *setting.*18 B. If an accident and sickness insurance policy provides reimbursement for a service that may be
19 legally performed by a licensed pharmacist, reimbursement under the policy shall not be denied because
20 the service is rendered by the licensed pharmacist, provided that (i) the service is performed for an
21 insured for a condition under the terms of a collaborative agreement, as defined in § 54.1-3300, (ii) the
22 service is for the administration of vaccines for immunization, or (iii) the service is provided in
23 accordance with § 54.1-3303.1.

24 C. This section shall not apply to Medicaid, or any state fund.

25 **§ 38.2-4221. Services of certain practitioners other than physicians to be covered.**26 A. A nonstock corporation shall not fail or refuse, either directly or indirectly, to allow or to pay to
27 a subscriber for all or any part of the health services rendered by any doctor of podiatry, doctor of
28 chiropody, optometrist, optician, chiropractor, professional counselor, psychologist, physical therapist,
29 clinical social worker, clinical nurse specialist, audiologist, speech pathologist, certified nurse midwife or
30 other nurse practitioner, marriage and family therapist, *athletic trainer*, or licensed acupuncturist licensed
31 to practice in Virginia, if the services rendered (i) are services provided for by the subscription contract
32 ~~and~~; (ii) are services which the doctor of podiatry, doctor of chiropody, optometrist, optician,
33 chiropractor, professional counselor, psychologist, physical therapist, clinical social worker, clinical nurse
34 specialist, audiologist, speech pathologist, certified nurse midwife or other nurse practitioner, marriage
35 and family therapist, *athletic trainer*, or licensed acupuncturist is licensed to render in this
36 Commonwealth; *and (iii) are, for any services rendered by an athletic trainer, rendered in an office*
37 *setting.*38 B. If a subscription contract provides reimbursement for a service that may be legally performed by a
39 licensed pharmacist, reimbursement under the subscription contract by the nonstock corporation shall not
40 be denied because the service is rendered by the licensed pharmacist provided that (i) the service is
41 performed for a subscriber for a condition under the terms of a collaborative agreement, as defined in
42 § 54.1-3300, between a pharmacist and the physician with whom the subscriber is undergoing a course
43 of treatment or (ii) the service is for the administration of vaccines for immunization. Notwithstanding
44 the provisions of § 38.2-4209, the nonstock corporation may require the pharmacist, any pharmacy or
45 provider that may employ such pharmacist, or the collaborating physician to enter into a written
46 agreement with the nonstock corporation as a condition for reimbursement for such services. In addition,
47 reimbursement to pharmacists acting under the terms of a collaborative agreement under this subsection
48 shall not be subject to the provisions of § 38.2-4209.1.49 **2. That the provisions of this act shall apply to all insurance policies, subscription contracts, and**
50 **health care plans delivered, issued for delivery, reissued, or extended on or after January 1, 2023,**
51 **and to all such policies, contracts, or plans to which a term is changed or any premium**
52 **adjustment is made on or after such date.**