

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-2959 of the Code of Virginia, relating to supervised training*  
3 *programs; students enrolled in schools of medicine allowed to engage in certain activities;*  
4 *prohibition of unauthorized pelvic exams.*

5 [H 2969]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That § 54.1-2959 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

9 § 54.1-2959. Supervised training programs; students enrolled in schools of medicine allowed to  
10 engage in certain activities; prohibition of unauthorized pelvic exams.

11 A. Students enrolled in schools of medicine may (i) participate in preceptorship programs which are a  
12 part of the training program of the medical school; or (ii) practice in clinics, hospitals, educational  
13 institutions, private medical offices or other health facilities, in a program approved by the school, under  
14 the direct tutorial supervision of a licensed physician who holds an appointment on the faculty of a  
15 school of medicine approved by the Board.

16 B. *Students participating in a course of professional instruction or clinical training program shall*  
17 *not perform a pelvic examination on an anesthetized or unconscious female patient unless the patient or*  
18 *her authorized agent gives informed consent to such examination, the performance of such examination*  
19 *is within the scope of care ordered for the patient, or in the case of a patient incapable of giving*  
20 *informed consent, the examination is necessary for diagnosis or treatment of such patient.*

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