Human Resources Legislative Update

Nursing Act Amendment Comes into Force January, 2014

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Effective January 1, 2014, section 4.5 of the *Nursing Act, 1991* will come into force, adding “dispensing a drug” to the list of authorized acts a member, other than a member described in section 5.1 of the Act (“certain authorized nurses”), is conditionally authorized to perform in the course of engaging in the practice of nursing.

The amendment to section 4.5 is mandated by section 18(2) of the Regulated Health Professions Statute Law Amendment Act, 2009. The proclamation may be viewed here.