An act relating to autonomous practice by an advanced practice registered nurse; amending s. 464.0123, F.S.; revising practice requirements for an autonomous advanced practice registered nurse; authorizing an autonomous advanced practice registered nurse to perform certain acts; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 464.0123, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

464.0123 Autonomous practice by an advanced practice registered nurse.—

(3) PRACTICE REQUIREMENTS.—

(a) An advanced practice registered nurse who is registered under this section may:

1. Engage in autonomous practice only in primary care practice, including family medicine, general pediatrics, and general internal medicine, as defined by board rule.

2. For certified nurse midwives, engage in autonomous practice in the performance of the acts listed in s. 464.012(4)(c).

3. Perform the general functions of an advanced practice registered nurse under s. 464.012(3) and the acts within his or
her specialty under s. 464.012(4) related to primary care.

For a patient who requires the services of a health care facility, as defined in s. 408.032(8):

a. Admit the patient to the facility.

b. Manage the care received by the patient in the facility.

c. Discharge the patient from the facility, unless prohibited by federal law or rule.

Provide a signature, certification, stamp, verification, affidavit, or endorsement that is otherwise required by law to be provided by a physician, except an advanced practice registered nurse registered under this section may not issue a physician certification under s. 381.986.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.