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OSHKOSH — Gov. Tony Evers today signed Assembly Bills 137, 427, and 471 in Oshkosh at Aurora Medical Center.

“Each of these bills will play an important role in the health and safety of Wisconsinites across our state,” said Gov. Evers. “From making vaccines more accessible, to emergency medical care, to a new grant program for 9-1-1 service upgrades, I am proud to be able to sign these bipartisan bills into law that will help promote safer and healthier communities in Wisconsin.”

[Assembly Bill 137](#) , now 2019 Wisconsin Act 24:

- Allows a pharmacist, with the appropriate training approved by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education or the Board, to administer a vaccination that is prescribed by a physician or follows the current immunization schedules recommended by the federal advisory committee on immunization practices;
- Allows a pharmacist to administer a vaccine to a child under 6 years old, if the vaccine is issued within 29 days of a prescription issued by a physician and the pharmacist has completed a training course that includes the administration of vaccines to children under the age of 6;
- and

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- Requires any person who administers a vaccine to update the Wisconsin Immunization Registry within 7 days of administering the vaccine.

[Assembly Bill 427](#) , now 2019 Wisconsin Act 25:

- Allows an EMS professional to provide emergency medical care as delegated by a health care provider, if the actions are within the scope of the health provider's license and the health care provider is confident in the knowledge and training of the EMS professional.

[Assembly Bill 471](#) , now 2019 Wisconsin Act 26:

- Creates a competitive grant program through the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs to update 9-1-1 service infrastructure. Grant funds can be used for advanced training of telecommunicators, equipment or software expenses, and incentives to consolidate the functions of two or more public safety answering points.