

Governor Mike Pence arrived in Salem on Wednesday Afternoon, May 1, to sign a recently passed bill into law at DanMar Family Pharmacy. State Representatives Steve Davisson (R-Salem) and Ron Grooms (R- Jeffersonville) were among those who attended the event.

“This bill will add pneumonia, diphtheria and tetanus, among others, to the list of immunizations pharmacists are allowed to administer,” Pence explained to the crowd that gathered inside the pharmacy. The other illnesses included on House Bill 1464 are acellular pertussis (Tdap), human papillomavirus (HPV) infection, and meningitis.

The Governor went on to say that health care was an important issue to his administration and he was proud to sign this particular bill into Indiana state law.

Representative Davisson was also excited about the new legislation. “I am very pleased to see this bill signed into law,” he said. “Improving access to immunizations will have a positive, lasting effect on Hoosiers.” Davisson authored House Bill 1464 and he works as a full-time pharmacist at DanMar. Grooms, who helped get the bill passed during the State House’s latest session, also has a pharmaceutical background.