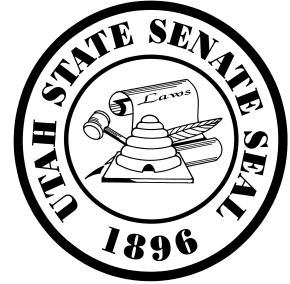




Performance Note
HB0192S02 - Opiate Overdose
Response Act -- Pilot Program
and Other Amendments
Sponsor: Rep. McKell, Mike K.



Performance Note Report

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Agency: Department of Health

Funding For:

Public Benefit:

Purpose: This bill creates the Opiate Overdose Outreach Pilot Program within the Department of Health, specifies how money appropriated for the program may be used; authorizes the department to make grants through the program to persons who may be in a position to assist an individual who is at increased risk of experiencing an opiate-related drug overdose event; specifies how grants may be used; requires annual reporting by grantees; requires rule making by the Department of Health; and requires annual reporting on the program by the Department of Health (Lines 164-220).

Services: The department may use funds appropriated for the program to (a) provide grants, (b) promote public awareness of the signs, symptoms, and risks of opioid misuse and overdose; (c) increase the availability of educational materials and other resources designed to assist individuals at increased risk of opioid overdose, their families, and others in a position to help prevent or respond to an overdose event; (d) increase public awareness of, access to, and use of opiate antagonist; (e) update the department's Utah Clinical Guidelines on Prescribing Opioids and promote its use by prescribers and dispensers of opioids; (f) develop a directory of substance misuse treatment programs and promote its dissemination to and use by opioid prescribers, dispensers, and others in a position to assist individuals at increased risk of opioid overdose; (g) coordinate a multi-agency coalition to address opioid misuse and overdose; and (h) maintain department data collection efforts designed to guide the development of opioid overdose interventions and track their effectiveness. Grantee funds may be used to: (i) pay for the purchase by the grantee of an opiate antagonist; or (ii) pay for the grantee's cost of providing training on the proper administration of an opiate antagonist in response to an opiate-related drug overdose event; and may not be used: (i) to pay for costs associated with the storage or dispensing of an opiate antagonist; or (ii) for any other purposes.

Expected Outcome: The expected outcome is to reduce opioid drug overdose deaths.

Implementations and Resources: The bill will be implemented by the Utah Department of Health Violence and Injury Prevention Program.

How: The Opiate Overdose Outreach Pilot Program will allow funds to be granted to organizations who may be in a position to assist an individual who is at increased risk of experiencing an opiate-related drug overdose event to pay for the purchase of an opiate antagonist or pay for the cost of providing training on the proper administration of an opiate antagonist in response to an opiate-related drug overdose event. In addition, funds will be used to develop a media campaign to promote

public awareness of the signs, symptoms, and risks of opioid misuse and overdose and increase awareness of, access to, and use of an opiate antagonist. Educational materials will be developed and disseminated, including updating the Utah Clinical Guidelines on Prescribing Opioids and a resource directory of substance misuse treatment programs. Providers will be educated on the use and purpose of naloxone and the guidelines.

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