

METHADONE TREATMENT AMENDMENTS

2016 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Edward H. Redd

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the Controlled Substance Database Act.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

► requires a prescriber at an opioid treatment program that is certified under federal law, to periodically check the database before administering an opioid replacement drug to a patient.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

58-37f-303, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **58-37f-303** is enacted to read:

58-37f-303. Opioid treatment program and access to the database.

(1) For purposes of this section:

(a) "Opioid replacement drug" means methadone, naltrexone, and buprenorphine.



28 (b) "Opioid treatment program" means a program that is certified under 42 C.F.R. Part
29 8 to manage opioid addiction by prescribing or dispensing an opioid replacement drug to a
30 patient in the program.

31 (2) (a) An individual who is authorized to prescribe or dispense an opioid replacement
32 drug to a patient in an opioid treatment program shall access the database in accordance with
33 Subsection (2)(b) to determine if the patient is receiving other medications that may be
34 contraindicated for a patient in the treatment program.

35 (b) An individual under Subsection (2)(a) shall access the database once every two
36 weeks for a patient who receives the opioid replacement drug.

37 (3) If an individual who is authorized to prescribe or dispense an opioid replacement
38 drug to a patient in an opioid treatment program does not check the database in accordance
39 with Subsection (2)(b), the individual has engaged in unprofessional practice under the
40 individual's license under this title.

Legislative Review Note
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