

ADDICTION RECOVERY AMENDMENTS

2017 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Karen Mayne

House Sponsor: Mike K. McKell

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the Opiate Overdose Response Act.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms; and

- ▶ requires the Department of Health to:

- establish guidelines for the issuance of a prescription for an opiate antagonist along with a prescription for an opiate; and

- report on the guidelines to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

26-55-108, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **26-55-108** is enacted to read:

26-55-108. Coprescription guidelines -- Reporting.

(1) As used in this section:

29 (a) "Controlled substance prescriber" means the same as that term is defined in Section
30 58-37-6.5.

31 (b) "Coprescribe" means to issue a prescription for an opiate antagonist with a
32 prescription for an opiate.

33 (2) The department shall, in consultation with the Physicians Licensing Board created
34 in Section 58-67-201, the Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon's Licensing Board created in
35 Section 58-68-201, and the Department of Occupational and Professional Licensing created in
36 Section 58-1-103, establish by rule, made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
37 Administrative Rulemaking Act, scientifically based guidelines for controlled substance
38 prescribers to coprescribe an opiate antagonist to a patient.

39 (3) The department shall report to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee
40 before October 30, 2017, regarding the guidelines established under Subsection (2).

41 (4) The report described in Subsection (3) shall include:

42 (a) established rules regarding the coprescription of an opiate antagonist to a patient;

43 and

44 (b) an analysis of:

45 (i) the application of the rules; and

46 (ii) the impact of the rules.