

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS26514

The current use of the phrase "prescriber or pharmacist" has led some Idaho health systems to delay naloxone outreach programs that have become common in other states, including Utah.

In such programs, health professionals (who do not traditionally have prescriptive authority) serve as opioid ambassadors, host community education events, and deliver naloxone to attendees in a position to help patients. The use of the phrase "prescriber or pharmacist" has caused some health systems to inaccurately conclude that similar programs are not possible in Idaho, and thus this change removes any doubt.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have no impact to the Board of Pharmacy dedicated account.

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