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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE		Study NM Poison and Drug Info Center Funding			SM	76

ANALYST Peterson

<u>APPROPRIATION</u> (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	iation	Recurring	Fund	
FY15 FY16		or Nonrecurring	Affected	
N/A	N/A			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

<u>Responses Received Not Received From</u> University of New Mexico (UNM) New Mexico Department of Higher Education (HED) Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 76 requests that the UNM College of Pharmacy assemble a task force to evaluate potential sustainable funding sources for the New Mexico Poison and Drug Information Center (PDIC).

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The PDIC is a public service program of the UNM Health Sciences Center and is affiliated with the college of pharmacy. This center serves as a resource for the entire state serving New Mexican's twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. In fiscal year 2014, the center received over twenty-seven thousand "help" calls. In FY15, PDIC had a budget of nearly \$2.2 million, including a \$1.5 million general fund appropriation, nearly \$600 thousand from the tobacco settlement program fund, and the balance from other and federal sources of revenue. The center

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has received modest increases in general fund appropriations over the years. For FY16, both the LFC and Executive recommended FY15 levels of general fund support.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

The task force would report its findings and recommendations of potential sustainable funding sources to the appropriate interim committee and the LFC by November 1, 2015.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The task force includes, but not limited to: representatives of the Bernalillo County department of substance abuse programs, the Albuquerque Police Department, Indian Health Service, the Safe Kids Coalition, the Superintendent of Insurance, Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Mexico, United Healthcare, the New Mexico Pharmacist Association, the New Mexico (NM) society of Health Systems Pharmacists, the New Mexico Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians, the NM Emergency Medical Technicians Association, the NM Medical Society, the NM Emergency Nurses Association, the NM chapter of the Association and the United Way of Central NM.

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