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SENATE BILL 160

**54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2020**

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AN ACT

RELATING TO OPIOID OVERDOSE; MODIFYING THE WARNING REQUIREMENTS  
PERTAINING TO ADMINISTRATION OF OPIOID ANTAGONISTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 24-2D-7 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2019,  
Chapter 94, Section 3) is amended to read:

"24-2D-7. REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS WHO  
PRESCRIBE, DISTRIBUTE OR DISPENSE OPIOID ANALGESICS.--

A. A health care provider who prescribes,  
distributes or dispenses an opioid analgesic for the first time  
to a patient shall advise the patient on the risks of overdose  
and inform the patient of the availability of an opioid  
antagonist. With respect to a patient to whom an opioid  
analgesic has previously been prescribed, distributed or  
dispensed by the health care provider, the health care provider

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1 shall advise the patient on the risks of overdose and inform  
2 the patient of the availability of an opioid antagonist on the  
3 first occasion that the health care provider prescribes,  
4 distributes or dispenses an opioid analgesic each calendar  
5 year.

6 B. A health care provider who prescribes an opioid  
7 analgesic for a patient shall co-prescribe an opioid antagonist  
8 if the amount of opioid analgesic being prescribed is at least  
9 a five-day supply. The prescription for the opioid antagonist  
10 shall be accompanied by written information regarding the  
11 temporary effects of the opioid antagonist and techniques for  
12 administering the opioid antagonist. That written information  
13 shall contain a warning that a person administering the opioid  
14 antagonist should call 911 immediately after administering the  
15 opioid antagonist, unless that person is a health care provider  
16 as provided in the Pain Relief Act."

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