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Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Dinowitz, Cymbrowitz, Gottfried, Lentol) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to opioid overdose prevention

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivisions 3 and 4 of section 3309 of the public health law are renumbered subdivisions 4 and 5 and a new subdivision 3 is added to read as follows:

3. ANY DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID ANTAGONISTS THROUGH SUCH PROGRAM SHALL INCLUDE AN INFORMATIONAL CARD OR SHEET. THE INFORMATIONAL CARD OR SHEET SHALL INCLUDE, AT A MINIMUM, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON:

(A) HOW TO RECOGNIZE SYMPTOMS OF AN OPIOID OVERDOSE;

(B) STEPS TO TAKE, PRIOR TO AND AFTER AN OPIOID ANTAGONIST IS ADMINISTERED;

(C) HOW TO ACCESS LOCAL TREATMENT SERVICES UTILIZING EITHER THE OFFICE OF ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES' WEBSITE OR HELPLINE; AND

(D) ANY OTHER INFORMATION DEEMED RELEVANT BY THE COMMISSIONER.

THE EDUCATIONAL CARD SHALL BE PROVIDED IN LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE COMMISSIONER.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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