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Introduced by Sen. JACOBS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to information regarding the use of opioid antagonists for first aid or emergency treatment

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 3-a of section 3309 of the public health law, as added by chapter 34 of the laws of 2014 and as renumbered by section 3 of part V of chapter 57 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

3-a. Any distribution of opioid antagonists through this program shall include an informational card or sheet. The informational card or sheet shall include, at a minimum, information on:

(a) how to recognize symptoms of an opioid overdose;

(b) steps to take prior to and after an opioid antagonist is administered, including calling first responders;

(c) the number for the toll free office of alcoholism and substance abuse services HOPE line;

(d) how to access the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services' website; [~~and~~]

(e) **the application of good samaritan protections provided in section three thousand-a of this chapter; and**

(f) 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. The department shall make such informational cards available to the opioid overdose prevention programs.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth 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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