

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. L. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law and the executive law, in relation to establishing a training program for first responders for responding to victims of suspected drug overdose and the administration of opioid antagonists

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

1 Section 1. Section 3309 of the public health law is amended by adding
2 a new subdivision 8 to read as follows:

3 8. The commissioner, in consultation with municipal police training
4 council and the superintendent of state police, shall develop a training
5 program and associated training materials, to provide instruction and
6 information to police officers and emergency medical services personnel
7 on protocols for response to victims of suspected drug overdose and the
8 administration of opioid antagonists.

9 § 2. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 3055 to
10 read as follows:

11 § 3055. Opioid overdose prevention. The commissioner shall provide the
12 training program relating to protocols for response to victims of
13 suspected drug overdose and the administration of opioid antagonists
14 pursuant to section thirty-three hundred nine of this chapter to all
15 emergency medical services personnel including, but not limited to,
16 first responders, emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency
17 medical technicians and emergency vehicle operators.

18 § 3. Section 840 of the executive law is amended by adding a new
19 subdivision 8 to read as follows:

20 8. The council shall, in addition:

21 (a) Develop, maintain and disseminate, in consultation with the
22 commissioner of health, written policies and procedures consistent with
23 section thirty-three hundred nine of the public health law, regarding

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

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1 protocols for response to victims of suspected drug overdose and the
2 administration of opioid antagonists. Such policies and procedures shall
3 make provisions for the education and training of new and veteran police
4 officers on the protocols for response to victims of suspected drug
5 overdose and the administration of opioid antagonists; and

6 (b) Recommend to the governor, rules and regulations with respect to
7 the establishment and implementation on an ongoing basis of a training
8 program for all current and new police officers regarding the policies
9 and procedures established pursuant to this subdivision, along with
10 recommendations for periodic retraining of police officers.

11 § 4. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 214-i to
12 read as follows:

13 § 214-i. Opioid overdose prevention. The superintendent shall, for all
14 members of the state police:

15 1. Develop, maintain and disseminate, in consultation with the commis-
16 sioner of health, written policies and procedures consistent with
17 section thirty-three hundred nine of the public health law, regarding
18 protocols for response to victims of suspected drug overdose and the
19 administration of opioid antagonists. Such policies and procedures shall
20 make provisions for the education and training of new and veteran police
21 officers on the protocols for response to victims of suspected drug
22 overdose and the administration of opioid antagonists; and

23 2. Recommend to the governor, rules and regulations with respect to
24 establishment and implementation on an ongoing basis of a training
25 program for all current and new police officers regarding the policies
26 and procedures established pursuant to this subdivision, along with
27 recommendations for periodic retraining of police officers.

28 § 5. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
29 it shall have become a law; provided, however, that the commissioner of
30 health may promulgate any rules and regulations necessary for the imple-
31 mentation of this act on or before such effective date.