

HOUSE BILL 24

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By: **Delegates Szeliga and Cassilly**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Health – Overdose Response Program – Educational Training Program**
3 **Requirement**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring educational training for an Overdose Response Program
5 overseen by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to include training in the
6 requirement to immediately contact medical services after the administration of
7 naloxone by a certificate holder instead of training in the importance of contacting
8 emergency medical services; and generally relating to educational training
9 requirements under the Overdose Response Program.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article – Health – General
12 Section 13–3102
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2015 Replacement Volume)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article – Health – General
17 Section 13–3104
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2015 Replacement Volume)

20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
21 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

22 **Article – Health – General**

23 13–3102.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 An Overdose Response Program is a program overseen by the Department for the
2 purpose of providing a means of authorizing certain individuals to administer naloxone to
3 an individual experiencing, or believed to be experiencing, opioid overdose to help prevent
4 a fatality when medical services are not immediately available.

5 13–3104.

6 (a) To qualify for a certificate, an individual shall meet the requirements of this
7 section.

8 (b) The applicant shall be at least 18 years old.

9 (c) The applicant shall have, or reasonably expect to have, as a result of the
10 individual's occupation or volunteer, family, or social status, the ability to assist an
11 individual who is experiencing an opioid overdose.

12 (d) (1) The applicant shall successfully complete an educational training
13 program offered by a private or public entity authorized by the Department.

14 (2) An educational training program required under this subsection shall:

15 (i) Be conducted by:

16 1. A licensed physician;

17 2. An advanced practice nurse;

18 3. A pharmacist; or

19 4. An employee or a volunteer of a private or public entity
20 who is supervised in accordance with a written agreement between the private or public
21 entity and a supervisory licensed physician, advanced practice nurse, or pharmacist that
22 includes:

23 A. Procedures for providing patient overdose information;

24 B. Information as to how the employee or volunteer providing
25 the information will be trained; and

26 C. Standards for documenting the provision of patient
27 overdose information to patients; and

28 (ii) Include training in:

29 1. The recognition of the symptoms of opioid overdose;

30 2. The proper administration of naloxone;

