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Overview

This bill requires dispensers to provide patients obtaining an opioid prescription with information on opioid addiction and abuse, and the safe disposal of unused opioids. The bill also requires the Board of Pharmacy to develop the information that may be distributed, and to make this information available on its Web site.

Section

1 Required disclosures for prescription opioids. Adds § 263.48.

Subd. 1. Required information. (a) Requires a dispenser, when dispensing a prescription opioid, to provide a patient, or the patient's agent or caregiver, clear and conspicuous written information, in plain language, about:

- (1) the addictive nature of opioids and risks of opioid abuse; and
- (2) safe disposal of unused prescription opioids, that is consistent with the requirements of section 152.105.

(b) Provides a definition of "dispenser."

Subd. 2. Board of Pharmacy development of materials. Requires the board to develop the text that a dispenser may use to comply with subdivision 1, and to make this available to dispensers by posting it on the board's Web site, in a format that allows downloading and printing.

Provides a January 1, 2018, effective date.