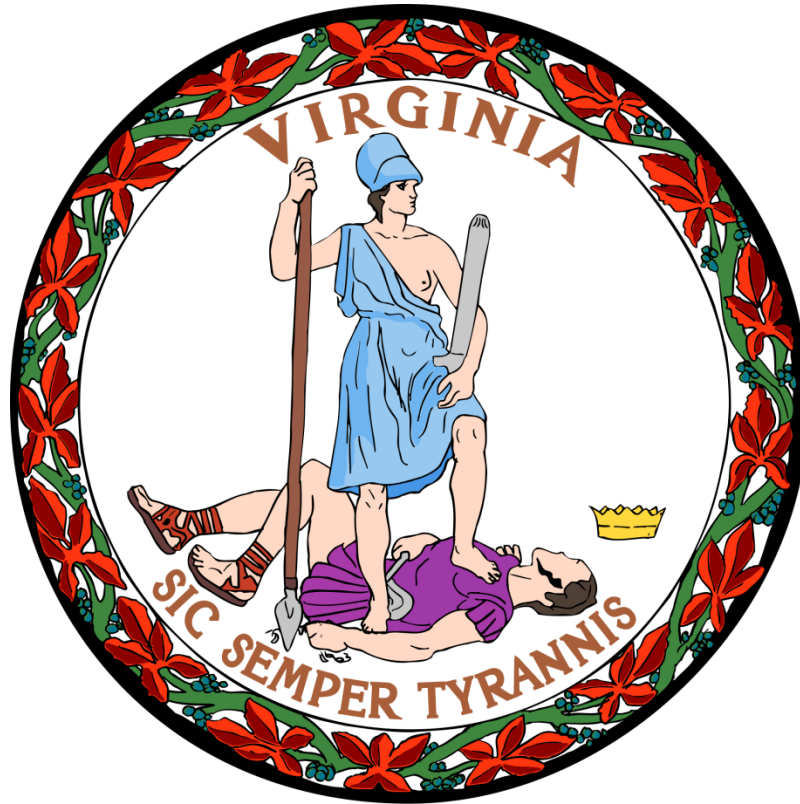




Governor's Taskforce on Prescription Drug & Heroin Abuse



Education Workgroup Recommendations

March 19, 2015

Education Workgroup Accepted Recommendations

1. Develop a state website as an informational hub on prescription drug and heroin abuse.
2. Create and send “Dear Colleague” letters and stock Op-Ed
3. Collaborate with Storage and Disposal to place stationary disposal container in every locality and subsequently inform Virginians of their locations
4. Collaborate with Storage and Disposal group to encourage distribution of lock boxes with controlled substance providers
5. Send a letter to all prescribers and dispensers about the PMP, focusing on the urgency of the overdose epidemic
6. Annual educational outreach to opioid prescribers regarding appropriate prescribing of controlled substances
7. Send a letter to healthcare school leaders regarding development of pain management and addiction training curricula
8. Develop minimum 4-hour opioid educational curriculum for law enforcement, corrections, probation and parole, EMTs, CIT officers, and school resource officers
9. Develop law enforcement training program regarding naloxone administration if pilot is expanded to include law enforcement; pilot expansion must include law enforcement immunity for injuries when administering naloxone



Education Workgroup Recommendation Update

- 1) Develop a state website as an informational hub on prescription drug and heroin abuse.
 - a) Funding & Development
 - Board of Medicine
 - Vendors
 - Content and ownership



Education Workgroup Recommendation Update

- 2) Create and send “Dear Colleague” letters and stock Op-Ed & Send a letter to all prescribers and dispensers about the PMP, focusing on the urgency of the overdose epidemic
 - a) Prescriber letter – January 30, 2015



Education Workgroup Recommendation Update

PMP Prescriber Response

Immediately:

- 30 pending registrations the morning of 1/30
- 80 by early afternoon

First week post-letter:

- **210** new registrations (<100 prior week)
- **52,000** requests (breaking 50,000 for the first time)

PMP Requests by year

2013: 1,313,861 (avg 3600/day)

2014: 1,870,196 (avg 5124/day)

2015: 480,292 as of March 12 (avg 6861/day)



Education Workgroup Recommendation Update

- b) School leadership letter
 - letter drafted
 - communicating with Superintendents and Office of the Secretary of Education



Education Workgroup Recommendation Updates

- 3) Send a letter to healthcare school leaders regarding development of pain management and addiction training curricula
 - a) Provider education advisory group



Education Workgroup Recommendation Updates

- 4) Develop minimum 4-hour opioid educational curriculum for law enforcement, corrections, probation and parole, EMTs, CIT officers, and school resource officers



Education Workgroup Recommendation Updates

- 5) Develop law enforcement training program regarding naloxone administration if pilot is expanded to include law enforcement
 - a) Working with DBHDS and DCJS to adapt existing REVIVE training to law enforcement





Education Workgroup Recommendations

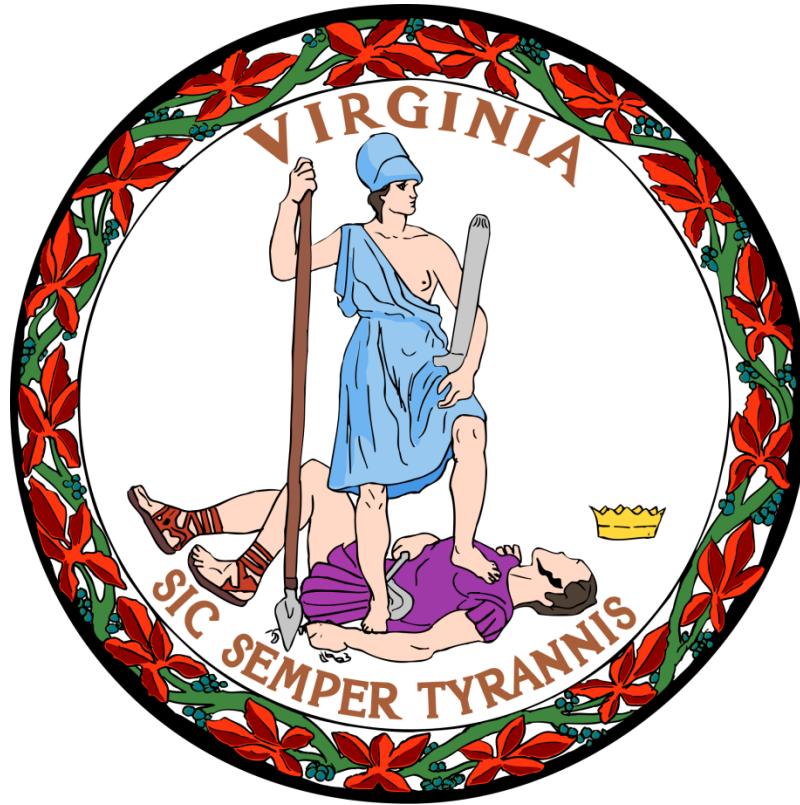
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