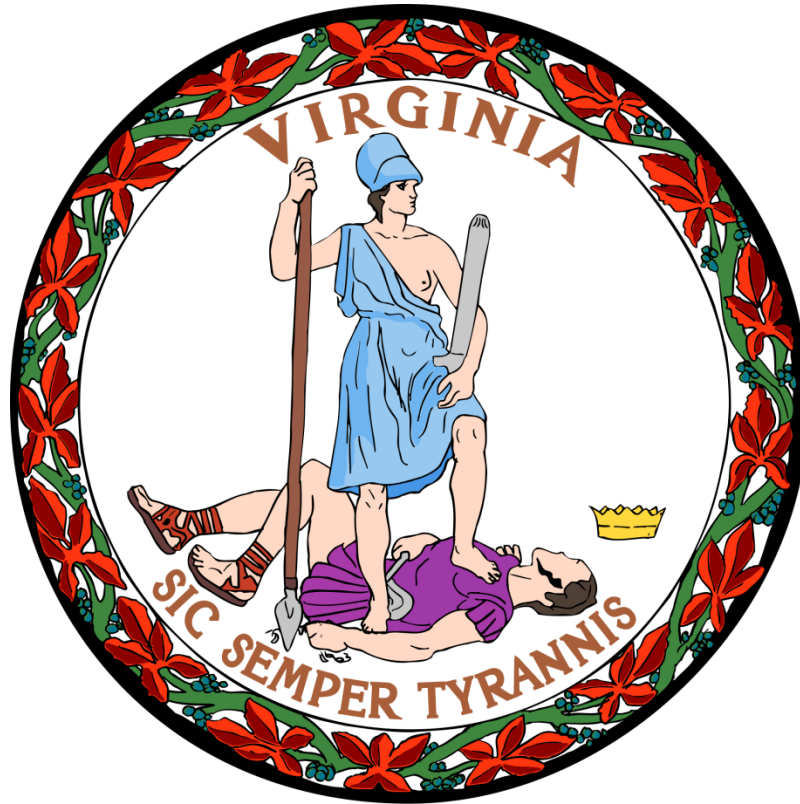




Governor's Task Force on Prescription Drug & Heroin Abuse



Enforcement Workgroup Recommendations

May 12, 2015



Enforcement Workgroup Recommendation #1 (Short Term)

- The Task Force should publicize the passage of Senate Bill 892/House Bill 1500, which provides a ‘safe harbor’ affirmative defense for an individual who calls 911 or notifies emergency personnel that someone in his presence is suffering from an overdose





Enforcement Workgroup Recommendation #1, cont'd (Short Term)

- The Task Force should publicize the passage of Senate Bill 892/House Bill 1500 by recommending:
 - Governor announces law
 - Governor directs all state agencies to notify constituents
 - share news with stakeholders





Enforcement Workgroup Recommendation #2 (Long Term)

- The Task Force should implement goals of House Joint Resolution 622, which called for a study of the efficacy of diversion program for drug offenders
- The Task Force should identify another entity to conduct a study into the efficacy of diversion for 2nd and 3rd time felony drug abusers, and the potential financial savings to the Commonwealth





Enforcement Workgroup Recommendation #3 (Long Term)

- As a matter of policy, if the state determines incarceration is an appropriate punishment for addicts who have continued contact with the criminal justice system, the Task Force should recommend treatment options be made available during confinement.





Enforcement Workgroup - Status of Accepted Recommendations

- Storage & Disposal Referral: Work with Education Group to develop communication plan to increase law enforcement awareness of disposal opportunities (in progress)
- Education Referral: Develop law enforcement training on administration of Naloxone (in progress)





Enforcement Workgroup Request for More Information

- Therapeutic Communities in DOC facilities
- Additional information on the Prescription Monitoring Program





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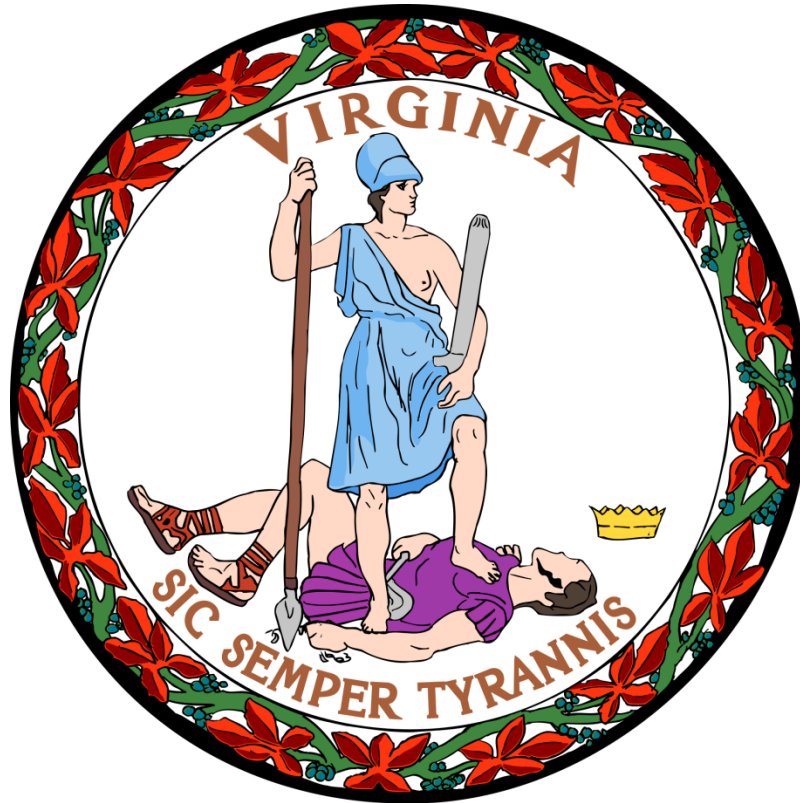
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