

REFERENCE TITLE: **opioids; informed consent; inpatient settings**

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Introduced by
Senator Barto

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 32, CHAPTER 32, ARTICLE 4, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 32-3248.03; AMENDING TITLE 36, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 36-420.02; RELATING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 32, chapter 32, article 4, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 32-3248.03, to read:

4 32-3248.03. Health professionals; opioids; informed consent
5 exceptions

6 A HEALTH PROFESSIONAL WHO IS AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE TO
7 PRESCRIBE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AND WHO IS PRESCRIBING AN OPIOID FOR
8 SHORT-TERM USE FOR ACUTE PAIN AS PART OF TREATMENT IN AN EMERGENCY
9 DEPARTMENT OR OUTPATIENT DEPARTMENT OF A HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION IS NOT
10 REQUIRED TO OBTAIN INFORMED CONSENT FROM THE PATIENT.

11 Sec. 2. Title 36, chapter 4, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
12 is amended by adding section 36-420.02, to read:

13 36-420.02. Health care institutions; inpatient settings;
14 health professionals; opioids; informed consent
15 exceptions

16 A. AN ADMINISTRATOR OF A HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION WHERE OPIOIDS ARE
17 ORDERED FOR ADMINISTRATION TO A PATIENT IN AN INPATIENT SETTING IS NOT
18 REQUIRED TO OBTAIN INFORMED CONSENT FROM THE PATIENT TO ADMINISTER
19 OPIOIDS. THE HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION SHALL ESTABLISH POLICIES AND
20 PROCEDURES THAT OUTLINE WHEN AND BY WHOM INFORMED CONSENT MUST BE OBTAINED
21 WHEN OPIOIDS ARE ORDERED FOR INPATIENT ADMINISTRATION BY THE HEALTH CARE
22 INSTITUTION'S STAFF.

23 B. A HEALTH PROFESSIONAL WHO IS AUTHORIZED UNDER TITLE 32 TO
24 PRESCRIBE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IS NOT REQUIRED TO CONDUCT AN OPIOID RISK
25 ASSESSMENT BEFORE ADMINISTERING OPIOIDS TO A PATIENT IN AN INPATIENT
26 SETTING.