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2 An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia, relating to opioid impact reduction.

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Approved

5 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: § 54.1-3408. Professional use by practitioners.

A. A practitioner of medicine, osteopathy, podiatry, dentistry, or veterinary medicine, a licensed
nurse practitioner pursuant to § 54.1-2957.01, a licensed certified midwife pursuant to § 54.1-2957.04, a
licensed physician assistant pursuant to § 54.1-2952.1, or a TPA-certified optometrist pursuant to Article
5 (§ 54.1-3222 et seq.) of Chapter 32 shall only prescribe, dispense, or administer controlled substances
in good faith for medicinal or therapeutic purposes within the course of his professional practice.

B. The prescribing practitioner's order may be on a written prescription or pursuant to an oral
 prescription as authorized by this chapter. The prescriber may administer drugs and devices, or he may
 cause drugs or devices to be administered by:

1. A nurse, physician assistant, or intern under his direction and supervision;

2. Persons trained to administer drugs and devices to patients in state-owned or state-operated
hospitals or facilities licensed as hospitals by the Board of Health or psychiatric hospitals licensed by
the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services who administer drugs under the
control and supervision of the prescriber or a pharmacist;

3. Emergency medical services personnel certified and authorized to administer drugs and devices
pursuant to regulations of the Board of Health who act within the scope of such certification and
pursuant to an oral or written order or standing protocol; or

4. A licensed respiratory therapist as defined in § 54.1-2954 who administers by inhalation controlled
 substances used in inhalation or respiratory therapy.

C. Pursuant to an oral or written order or standing protocol, the prescriber, who is authorized by
state or federal law to possess and administer radiopharmaceuticals in the scope of his practice, may
authorize a nuclear medicine technologist to administer, under his supervision, radiopharmaceuticals used
in the diagnosis or treatment of disease.

D. Pursuant to an oral or written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the
 course of his professional practice, such prescriber may authorize registered nurses and licensed practical
 nurses to possess (i) epinephrine and oxygen for administration in treatment of emergency medical
 conditions and (ii) heparin and sterile normal saline to use for the maintenance of intravenous access
 lines.

Pursuant to the regulations of the Board of Health, certain emergency medical services techniciansmay possess and administer epinephrine in emergency cases of anaphylactic shock.

Pursuant to an order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his
professional practice, any school nurse, school board employee, employee of a local governing body, or
employee of a local health department who is authorized by a prescriber and trained in the
administration of epinephrine may possess and administer epinephrine.

41 Pursuant to an order or standing protocol that shall be issued by the local health director within the 42 course of his professional practice, any school nurse, school board employee, employee of a local 43 governing body, or employee of a local health department who is authorized by the local health director 44 and trained in the administration of albuterol inhalers and valved holding chambers or nebulized 45 albuterol may possess or administer an albuterol inhaler and a valved holding chamber or nebulized 46 albuterol to a student diagnosed with a condition requiring an albuterol inhaler or nebulized albuterol 47 when the student is believed to be experiencing or about to experience an asthmatic crisis.

Pursuant to an order or a standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his 48 49 professional practice, any employee of a school for students with disabilities, as defined in § 22.1-319 50 and licensed by the Board of Education, or any employee of a private school that is accredited pursuant to § 22.1-19 as administered by the Virginia Council for Private Education who is authorized by a 51 prescriber and trained in the administration of (a) epinephrine may possess and administer epinephrine 52 53 and (b) albuterol inhalers or nebulized albuterol may possess or administer an albuterol inhaler or 54 nebulized albuterol to a student diagnosed with a condition requiring an albuterol inhaler or nebulized 55 albuterol when the student is believed to be experiencing or about to experience an asthmatic crisis.

56 Pursuant to an order or a standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his

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professional practice, any nurse at an early childhood care and education entity, employee at the entity,
or employee of a local health department who is authorized by a prescriber and trained in the
administration of epinephrine may possess and administer epinephrine.

Pursuant to an order or a standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his
 professional practice, any employee of a public institution of higher education or a private institution of
 higher education who is authorized by a prescriber and trained in the administration of epinephrine may
 possess and administer epinephrine.

Pursuant to an order or a standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his
professional practice, any employee of an organization providing outdoor educational experiences or
programs for youth who is authorized by a prescriber and trained in the administration of epinephrine
may possess and administer epinephrine.

68 Pursuant to an order or a standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his professional practice, and in accordance with policies and guidelines established by the Department of Health, such prescriber may authorize any employee of a restaurant licensed pursuant to Chapter 3 (§ 35.1-18 et seq.) of Title 35.1 to possess and administer epinephrine on the premises of the restaurant at which the employee is employed, provided that such person is trained in the administration of epinephrine.

Pursuant to an order issued by the prescriber within the course of his professional practice, an
employee of a provider licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services or
a person providing services pursuant to a contract with a provider licensed by the Department of
Behavioral Health and Developmental Services may possess and administer epinephrine, provided such
person is authorized and trained in the administration of epinephrine.

Pursuant to an order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his
professional practice, any employee of a public place, as defined in § 15.2-2820, who is authorized by a
prescriber and trained in the administration of epinephrine may possess and administer epinephrine.

Pursuant to an oral or written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of
his professional practice, such prescriber may authorize pharmacists to possess epinephrine and oxygen
for administration in treatment of emergency medical conditions.

E. Pursuant to an oral or written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course
of his professional practice, such prescriber may authorize licensed physical therapists to possess and
administer topical corticosteroids, topical lidocaine, and any other Schedule VI topical drug.

F. Pursuant to an oral or written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course
of his professional practice, such prescriber may authorize licensed athletic trainers to possess and
administer topical corticosteroids, topical lidocaine, or other Schedule VI topical drugs; oxygen for use
in emergency situations; epinephrine for use in emergency cases of anaphylactic shock; and naloxone or
other opioid antagonist for overdose reversal.

93 G. Pursuant to an oral or written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the 94 course of his professional practice, and in accordance with policies and guidelines established by the 95 Department of Health pursuant to § 32.1-50.2, such prescriber may authorize registered nurses or 96 licensed practical nurses under the supervision of a registered nurse to possess and administer tuberculin 97 purified protein derivative (PPD) in the absence of a prescriber. The Department of Health's policies and 98 guidelines shall be consistent with applicable guidelines developed by the Centers for Disease Control 99 and Prevention for preventing transmission of mycobacterium tuberculosis and shall be updated to 100 incorporate any subsequently implemented standards of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration and the Department of Labor and Industry to the extent that they are inconsistent with 101 102 the Department of Health's policies and guidelines. Such standing protocols shall explicitly describe the categories of persons to whom the tuberculin test is to be administered and shall provide for appropriate 103 104 medical evaluation of those in whom the test is positive. The prescriber shall ensure that the nurse 105 implementing such standing protocols has received adequate training in the practice and principles 106 underlying tuberculin screening.

107 The Health Commissioner or his designee may authorize registered nurses, acting as agents of the
 108 Department of Health, to possess and administer, at the nurse's discretion, tuberculin purified protein
 109 derivative (PPD) to those persons in whom tuberculin skin testing is indicated based on protocols and
 110 policies established by the Department of Health.

H. Pursuant to a written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his professional practice, such prescriber may authorize, with the consent of the parents as defined in § 22.1-1, an employee of (i) a school board, (ii) a school for students with disabilities as defined in § 22.1-319 licensed by the Board of Education, or (iii) a private school accredited pursuant to § 22.1-19 as administered by the Virginia Council for Private Education who is trained in the administration of insulin and glucagon to assist with the administration of insulin or administer glucagon to a student diagnosed as having diabetes and who requires insulin injections during the school day or for whom

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glucagon has been prescribed for the emergency treatment of hypoglycemia. Such authorization shall
only be effective when a licensed nurse, nurse practitioner, physician, or physician assistant is not
present to perform the administration of the medication.

121 Pursuant to a written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his 122 professional practice, such prescriber may authorize an employee of a public institution of higher 123 education or a private institution of higher education who is trained in the administration of insulin and 124 glucagon to assist with the administration of insulin or administration of glucagon to a student diagnosed 125 as having diabetes and who requires insulin injections or for whom glucagon has been prescribed for the 126 emergency treatment of hypoglycemia. Such authorization shall only be effective when a licensed nurse, 127 nurse practitioner, physician, or physician assistant is not present to perform the administration of the 128 medication.

129 Pursuant to a written order issued by the prescriber within the course of his professional practice, 130 such prescriber may authorize an employee of a provider licensed by the Department of Behavioral 131 Health and Developmental Services or a person providing services pursuant to a contract with a provider 132 licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to assist with the 133 administration of insulin or to administer glucagon to a person diagnosed as having diabetes and who 134 requires insulin injections or for whom glucagon has been prescribed for the emergency treatment of 135 hypoglycemia, provided such employee or person providing services has been trained in the 136 administration of insulin and glucagon.

137 I. A prescriber may authorize, pursuant to a protocol approved by the Board of Nursing, the 138 administration of vaccines to adults for immunization, when a practitioner with prescriptive authority is 139 not physically present, by (i) licensed pharmacists, (ii) registered nurses, or (iii) licensed practical nurses 140 under the supervision of a registered nurse. A prescriber acting on behalf of and in accordance with 141 established protocols of the Department of Health may authorize the administration of vaccines to any 142 person by a pharmacist, nurse, or designated emergency medical services provider who holds an 143 advanced life support certificate issued by the Commissioner of Health under the direction of an operational medical director when the prescriber is not physically present. The emergency medical 144 145 services provider shall provide documentation of the vaccines to be recorded in the Virginia 146 Immunization Information System.

147 J. A dentist may cause Schedule VI topical drugs to be administered under his direction and148 supervision by either a dental hygienist or by an authorized agent of the dentist.

Further, pursuant to a written order and in accordance with a standing protocol issued by the dentist in the course of his professional practice, a dentist may authorize a dental hygienist under his general supervision, as defined in § 54.1-2722, or his remote supervision, as defined in subsection E or F of \$ 54.1-2722, to possess and administer topical oral fluorides, topical oral anesthetics, topical and directly applied antimicrobial agents for treatment of periodontal pocket lesions, and any other Schedule VI topical drug approved by the Board of Dentistry.

In addition, a dentist may authorize a dental hygienist under his direction to administer Schedule VI
 nitrous oxide and oxygen inhalation analgesia and, to persons 18 years of age or older, Schedule VI
 local anesthesia.

K. Pursuant to an oral or written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the
course of his professional practice, such prescriber may authorize registered professional nurses certified
as sexual assault nurse examiners-A (SANE-A) under his supervision and when he is not physically
present to possess and administer preventive medications for victims of sexual assault as recommended
by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

L. This section shall not prevent the administration of drugs by a person who has satisfactorily 163 164 completed a training program for this purpose approved by the Board of Nursing and who administers such drugs in accordance with a prescriber's instructions pertaining to dosage, frequency, and manner of 165 administration, and in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Board of Pharmacy relating to 166 security and record keeping, when the drugs administered would be normally self-administered by (i) an 167 168 individual receiving services in a program licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and 169 Developmental Services; (ii) a resident of the Virginia Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and Vision 170 Impaired; (iii) a resident of a facility approved by the Board or Department of Juvenile Justice for the 171 placement of children in need of services or delinquent or alleged delinquent youth; (iv) a program participant of an adult day-care center licensed by the Department of Social Services; (v) a resident of 172 173 any facility authorized or operated by a state or local government whose primary purpose is not to 174 provide health care services; (vi) a resident of a private children's residential facility, as defined in 175 § 63.2-100 and licensed by the Department of Social Services, Department of Education, or Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; or (vii) a student in a school for students with 176 177 disabilities, as defined in § 22.1-319 and licensed by the Board of Education.

178 In addition, this section shall not prevent a person who has successfully completed a training

program for the administration of drugs via percutaneous gastrostomy tube approved by the Board of
Nursing and been evaluated by a registered nurse as having demonstrated competency in administration
of drugs via percutaneous gastrostomy tube from administering drugs to a person receiving services from
a program licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to such person
via percutaneous gastrostomy tube. The continued competency of a person to administer drugs via
percutaneous gastrostomy tube shall be evaluated semiannually by a registered nurse.

185 M. Medication aides registered by the Board of Nursing pursuant to Article 7 (§ 54.1-3041 et seq.) 186 of Chapter 30 may administer drugs that would otherwise be self-administered to residents of any 187 assisted living facility licensed by the Department of Social Services. A registered medication aide shall 188 administer drugs pursuant to this section in accordance with the prescriber's instructions pertaining to 189 dosage, frequency, and manner of administration; in accordance with regulations promulgated by the 190 Board of Pharmacy relating to security and recordkeeping; in accordance with the assisted living 191 facility's Medication Management Plan; and in accordance with such other regulations governing their 192 practice promulgated by the Board of Nursing.

N. In addition, this section shall not prevent the administration of drugs by a person who administers such drugs in accordance with a physician's instructions pertaining to dosage, frequency, and manner of administration and with written authorization of a parent, and in accordance with school board regulations relating to training, security and record keeping, when the drugs administered would be normally self-administered by a student of a Virginia public school. Training for such persons shall be accomplished through a program approved by the local school boards, in consultation with the local departments of health.

O. In addition, this section shall not prevent the administration of drugs by a person to (i) a child in 200 201 a child day program as defined in § 22.1-289.02 and regulated by the Board of Education or a local 202 government pursuant to § 15.2-914, or (ii) a student of a private school that is accredited pursuant to 203 § 22.1-19 as administered by the Virginia Council for Private Education, provided such person (a) has 204 satisfactorily completed a training program for this purpose approved by the Board of Nursing and taught by a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, doctor of 205 206 medicine or osteopathic medicine, or pharmacist; (b) has obtained written authorization from a parent or 207 guardian; (c) administers drugs only to the child identified on the prescription label in accordance with 208 the prescriber's instructions pertaining to dosage, frequency, and manner of administration; and (d) 209 administers only those drugs that were dispensed from a pharmacy and maintained in the original, 210 labeled container that would normally be self-administered by the child or student, or administered by a 211 parent or guardian to the child or student.

212 P. In addition, this section shall not prevent the administration or dispensing of drugs and devices by 213 persons if they are authorized by the State Health Commissioner in accordance with protocols 214 established by the State Health Commissioner pursuant to § 32.1-42.1 when (i) the Governor has declared a disaster or a state of emergency, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services 215 216 has issued a declaration of an actual or potential bioterrorism incident or other actual or potential public 217 health emergency, or the Board of Health has made an emergency order pursuant to § 32.1-13 for the 218 purpose of suppressing nuisances dangerous to the public health and communicable, contagious, and 219 infectious diseases and other dangers to the public life and health and for the limited purpose of 220 administering vaccines as an approved countermeasure for such communicable, contagious, and 221 infectious diseases; (ii) it is necessary to permit the provision of needed drugs or devices; and (iii) such 222 persons have received the training necessary to safely administer or dispense the needed drugs or 223 devices. Such persons shall administer or dispense all drugs or devices under the direction, control, and 224 supervision of the State Health Commissioner.

225 Q. Nothing in this title shall prohibit the administration of normally self-administered drugs by 226 unlicensed individuals to a person in his private residence.

R. This section shall not interfere with any prescriber issuing prescriptions in compliance with his authority and scope of practice and the provisions of this section to a Board agent for use pursuant to subsection G of § 18.2-258.1. Such prescriptions issued by such prescriber shall be deemed to be valid prescriptions.

231 S. Nothing in this title shall prevent or interfere with dialysis care technicians or dialysis patient care 232 technicians who are certified by an organization approved by the Board of Health Professions or persons 233 authorized for provisional practice pursuant to Chapter 27.01 (§ 54.1-2729.1 et seq.), in the ordinary 234 course of their duties in a Medicare-certified renal dialysis facility, from administering heparin, topical 235 needle site anesthetics, dialysis solutions, sterile normal saline solution, and blood volumizers, for the 236 purpose of facilitating renal dialysis treatment, when such administration of medications occurs under the 237 orders of a licensed physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant and under the immediate and 238 direct supervision of a licensed registered nurse. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit a 239 patient care dialysis technician trainee from performing dialysis care as part of and within the scope of the clinical skills instruction segment of a supervised dialysis technician training program, provided such trainee is identified as a "trainee" while working in a renal dialysis facility.

The dialysis care technician or dialysis patient care technician administering the medications shall
have demonstrated competency as evidenced by holding current valid certification from an organization
approved by the Board of Health Professions pursuant to Chapter 27.01 (§ 54.1-2729.1 et seq.).

245 T. Persons who are otherwise authorized to administer controlled substances in hospitals shall be authorized to administer influenza or pneumococcal vaccines pursuant to § 32.1-126.4.

U. Pursuant to a specific order for a patient and under his direct and immediate supervision, a
prescriber may authorize the administration of controlled substances by personnel who have been
properly trained to assist a doctor of medicine or osteopathic medicine, provided the method does not
include intravenous, intrathecal, or epidural administration and the prescriber remains responsible for
such administration.

V. A physician assistant, nurse, dental hygienist, or authorized agent of a doctor of medicine, osteopathic medicine, or dentistry may possess and administer topical fluoride varnish pursuant to an oral or written order or a standing protocol issued by a doctor of medicine, osteopathic medicine, or dentistry.

W. A prescriber, acting in accordance with guidelines developed pursuant to § 32.1-46.02, may authorize the administration of influenza vaccine to minors by a licensed pharmacist, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse under the direction and immediate supervision of a registered nurse, or emergency medical services provider who holds an advanced life support certificate issued by the Commissioner of Health when the prescriber is not physically present.

261 X. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 54.1-3303, pursuant to an oral, written, or standing order 262 issued by a prescriber or a standing order issued by the Commissioner of Health or his designee authorizing the dispensing of naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal in the 263 264 absence of an oral or written order for a specific patient issued by a prescriber, and in accordance with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the 265 266 Department of Health, a pharmacist, a health care provider providing services in a hospital emergency department, and emergency medical services personnel, as that term is defined in § 32.1-111.1, may 267 268 dispense naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal and a person to whom naloxone 269 or other opioid antagonist has been dispensed pursuant to this subsection may possess and administer 270 naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal to a person who is believed to be 271 experiencing or about to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose. Law-enforcement officers as 272 defined in § 9.1-101, employees of the Department of Forensic Science, employees of the Office of the 273 Chief Medical Examiner, employees of the Department of General Services Division of Consolidated 274 Laboratory Services, employees of the Department of Corrections designated as probation and parole 275 officers or as correctional officers as defined in § 53.1-1, employees of the Department of Juvenile 276 Justice designated as probation and parole officers or as juvenile correctional officers, employees of 277 regional jails, school nurses, local health department employees that are assigned to a public school 278 pursuant to an agreement between the local health department and the school board, other school board 279 employees or individuals contracted by a school board to provide school health services, and firefighters 280 who have completed a training program may also possess and administer naloxone or other opioid 281 antagonist used for overdose reversal and may dispense naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for 282 overdose reversal pursuant to an oral, written, or standing order issued by a prescriber or a standing 283 order issued by the Commissioner of Health or his designee in accordance with protocols developed by 284 the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health.

285 Notwithstanding the provisions of § 54.1-3303, pursuant to an oral, written, or standing order issued 286 by a prescriber or a standing order issued by the Commissioner of Health or his designee authorizing the 287 dispensing of naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal in the absence of an oral or 288 written order for a specific patient issued by a prescriber, and in accordance with protocols developed by 289 the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health, an 290 employee or other person acting on behalf of a public place who has completed a training program any 291 *person* may also possess and administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal, 292 other than naloxone in an injectable formulation with a hypodermic needle or syringe, in accordance 293 with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the 294 Department of Health.

Notwithstanding any other law or regulation to the contrary, an employee or other person acting on behalf of a public place may possess and administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist, other than naloxone in an injectable formulation with a hypodermic needle or syringe, to a person who is believed to be experiencing or about to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose if he has completed a training program on the administration of such naloxone and administers naloxone in accordance with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the 6 of 7

301 Department of Health.

302 For the purposes of this subsection, "public place" means any enclosed area that is used or held out 303 for use by the public, whether owned or operated by a public or private interest.

304 Y. Notwithstanding any other law or regulation to the contrary, a person who is acting on behalf of 305 an organization that provides services to individuals at risk of experiencing an opioid overdose or 306 training in the administration of naloxone for overdose reversal may dispense naloxone to a person who 307 has received instruction on the administration of naloxone for opioid overdose reversal, provided that such dispensing is (i) pursuant to a standing order issued by a prescriber and (ii) in accordance with 308 309 protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the 310 Department of Health. If the person acting on behalf of an organization dispenses naloxone in an injectable formulation with a hypodermic needle or syringe, he shall first obtain authorization from the 311 312 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to train individuals on the proper administration of naloxone by and proper disposal of a hypodermic needle or syringe, and he shall 313 obtain a controlled substance registration from the Board of Pharmacy. The Board of Pharmacy shall not 314 charge a fee for the issuance of such controlled substance registration. The dispensing may occur at a 315 316 site other than that of the controlled substance registration provided the entity possessing the controlled substances registration maintains records in accordance with regulations of the Board of Pharmacy. No 317 318 person who dispenses naloxone on behalf of an organization pursuant to this subsection shall charge a 319 fee for the dispensing of naloxone that is greater than the cost to the organization of obtaining the 320 naloxone dispensed. A person to whom naloxone has been dispensed pursuant to this subsection may 321 possess naloxone and may administer naloxone to a person who is believed to be experiencing or about 322 to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose.

323 Z. A person who is not otherwise authorized to administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist used
 324 for overdose reversal may administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal to a
 325 person who is believed to be experiencing or about to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose.

326 AA. Pursuant to a written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his 327 professional practice, such prescriber may authorize, with the consent of the parents as defined in 328 § 22.1-1, an employee of (i) a school board, (ii) a school for students with disabilities as defined in 329 § 22.1-319 licensed by the Board of Education, or (iii) a private school accredited pursuant to § 22.1-19 330 as administered by the Virginia Council for Private Education who is trained in the administration of 331 injected medications for the treatment of adrenal crisis resulting from a condition causing adrenal 332 insufficiency to administer such medication to a student diagnosed with a condition causing adrenal 333 insufficiency when the student is believed to be experiencing or about to experience an adrenal crisis. 334 Such authorization shall be effective only when a licensed nurse, nurse practitioner, physician, or 335 physician assistant is not present to perform the administration of the medication.

336 2. That the Department of Health, the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental 337 Services, and the Department of Corrections shall review existing naloxone distribution programs and collaborate to develop a comprehensive statewide plan for the distribution of naloxone 338 339 throughout the Commonwealth. The plan shall provide guidance to emergency medical services 340 agencies on the distribution of naloxone in high-risk areas and shall ensure that every pharmacy that carries naloxone is provided with a supply of fentanyl test strips to include with every order 341 342 of naloxone provided to consumers. The plan shall also provide guidance to localities for the 343 implementation of local naloxone distribution plans. The respective departments are authorized to 344 begin implementation of the plan, to the extent the agencies have existing resources to do so. The 345 Department of Health shall provide a report on the statewide naloxone plan, including the 346 resources needed to fully implement the plan, to the Chairs of the House Committee on 347 Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations by September 1, 2023.

348 3. That the Department of Health shall begin development of a Commonwealth opioid impact 349 reduction registry. The registry shall include a list of nonprofit organizations that work to reduce the impact of opioids in the Commonwealth and shall list the services provided by each such 350 organization and contact information for each such organization to be published on the 351 352 Department's website. The Department shall develop a process to determine what organizations 353 that work to reduce the impact of opioids in the Commonwealth to include in such registry, and 354 what criteria and metrics should be utilized to determine their inclusion in such registry. The 355 Department shall examine administrative burdens on local governments in procuring the services 356 of nonprofit organizations on the registry in a timely manner. The Department, within existing 357 resources, may publish an initial list of known nonprofit organizations that work to reduce the 358 impact of opioids on the Department's website that is searchable by zip code. The Department 359 shall report on the process, criteria and metrics for the registry, including the verification process to ensure an organization meets the criteria to be listed on the registry, and recommendations on 360 reducing administrative burdens on local governments to contract with organizations on the 361

- 362 registry to the Chairs of the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on
- Finance and Appropriations by September 1, 2023. 4. That the Department of Corrections shall amend its regulations to require that training in the administration of naloxone be provided to every inmate prior to release. 363 364 365