

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

July 5, 2019 GOV. MSG. NO. 13 57

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 5, 2019, the following bill was signed into law:

SB535 SD1 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO PHARMACISTS PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING OF OPIOID ANTAGONIST. **ACT 255 (19)** 

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PHARMACISTS PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING OF OPIOID ANTAGONIST.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. During the 2018 legislative session, the
- 2 legislature addressed the nationwide opioid epidemic by
- 3 authorizing pharmacists, who received the appropriate education
- 4 and training, to prescribe and dispense opioid antagonists to
- 5 patients who are at risk for an opioid overdose or family member
- 6 or caregiver of an individual at risk for an opioid overdose.
- 7 The legislature found that pharmacists are well situated to
- 8 provide education and access to opioid antagonists to assist
- 9 with the prevention of addressing opioid overdoses in Hawaii.
- 10 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to clarify the name
- 11 on the prescription for the opioid antagonist, whether it is the
- 12 individual who is at risk for an opioid overdose or the name of
- 13 the family member or caregiver of an individual who is at risk
- 14 for an opioid overdose who is requesting the opioid antagonist.
- 15 SECTION 2. Section 461-11.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 16 amended to read as follows:

1	"[		
2	and dispense; requirements. (a) A pharmacist, acting in good		
3	faith and exercising reasonable care, may prescribe and dispense		
4	an opioid antagonist to an individual who is at risk for an		
5	opioid overdose or a family member or caregiver of an individual		
6	who is at risk of an opioid overdose regardless of whether the		
7	individual has evidence of a previous prescription for an opioid		
8	antagonist from a practitioner authorized to prescribe opioids.		
9	The opioid antagonist prescribed and dispensed for a family		
10	member or caregiver of an individual who is at risk for an		
11	opioid overdose may be prescribed and dispensed in the name of		
12	the individual who is to be treated with the opioid antagonist		
13	or in the name of the individual who is requesting the opioid		
14	antagonist, or an "Opioid Antagonist Recipient" or "OAR".		
15	(b) A pharmacist who prescribes and dispenses opioid		
16	antagonists pursuant to subsection (a) shall:		
17	(1) Complete a training program related to prescribing		
18	opioid antagonists that is approved by the		
19	Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), a		
20	curriculum-based program from an ACPE-accredited		
21	college of pharmacy, a state or local health		

1		department program, or a program recognized by the
2		board;
3	(2)	Provide the individual who is receiving the opioid
4		antagonist with information and written educational
5		material on risk factors of opioid overdose, signs of
6		an overdose, overdose response steps, and the use of
7		the opioid antagonist; and
8	(3)	Dispense the opioid antagonist to the individual who
9		is at risk for an opioid overdose, family member, [ex
10		caregiver, or individual requesting the opioid
11		antagonist for an individual at risk for an opioid
12		overdose as soon as practicable after the pharmacist
13		issues the prescription."
14	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
15	and strick	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
16	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval,
17	and shall	be repealed on June 30, 2024; provided that section
18	461-11.8,	Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be reenacted in the
19	form in wh	nich it read on the day prior to the effective date of
20	this Act.	

APPROVED this 05 day of JUL , 2019

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

## THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 30, 2019 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2019.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 535, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1

## THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 2019 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives