



# 2018 COLORADO OPIOID STUDY COMMITTEE BILLS



## PREVENTION

Rep. Pettersen  
Sens. Jahn, Priola

- Extends Opioid Study Committee thru July 1, 2020
- Assigns Consortium to develop strategic plan for recovery services
- Funds school-based behavioral health centers
- Funds pilot for SBIRT training for providers serving women of child-bearing age & patient education tool
- Funds provider and law enforcement education

**APPROXIMATE FUNDING:**

\$925K SBIRT pilot training program\*  
\$750K Provider education and naloxone awareness  
\$775K School-based behavioral health centers  
\$39K Extend Opioid Study Committee\*



## CLINICAL PRACTICE

Sens. Aguilar, Tate  
Reps. Kennedy, Pettersen

- Limits first opioid Rx to 7-day supply (for opioid-naïve, non-chronic pain, non-palliative patients)
- Requires providers to check PDMP before 2nd opioid Rx refill (with exceptions)
- Restrictions repeal Sept 2021
- Assigns CDPHE to report findings on PDMP integration by Dec 2019

**APPROXIMATE FUNDING:**

No appropriation required



## TREATMENT

Rep. Pettersen  
Sens. Jahn, Priola

- Adds inpatient, residential and medical detox substance use treatment as benefit under CO Medicaid, conditional upon federal approval

**APPROXIMATE FUNDING:**

\$230K Preparation for inpatient treatment covered by CO Medicaid  
Estimated \$35million annually\*



## PAYMENT ISSUES

Reps. Singer, Kennedy  
Sens. Lambert, Jahn

- Requires health plans to provide coverage without prior authorization for 5-day supply of MAT
- Requires health plans to prioritize MAT requests
- Prevents carriers from penalizing providers for results from patient satisfaction surveys
- Requires Medicaid reimbursement of naloxone
- Requires payers to provide enhanced fee to pharmacists who administer MAT injections

**APPROXIMATE FUNDING:**

No appropriation required



## WORKFORCE

Sens. Jahn, Tate  
Reps. Singer, Pettersen

- Adds behavioral health care providers to list of health care providers eligible for loan repayment through Colorado Health Service Corps program
- Requires recipients to serve in a health professional shortage area for 2 years
- Creates loan repayment and scholarship program to cover costs of obtaining certification for behavioral health

**APPROXIMATE FUNDING:**

\$2.5M Loan repayment for behavioral health workforce\*



## HARM REDUCTION

Sen. Lambert  
Rep. Singer

- Would have allowed a single pilot site for supervised injection in Colorado
- Would have specified hospitals allowed as syringe access sites (included in 2019 bill)
- Would have specified naloxone allowed at schools (included in 2019 bill)

**APPROXIMATE FUNDING:**

No appropriation required

\*Indicates potential multiple years of funding allocated at various levels. See bills for details.