

1 AN ACT relating to buprenorphine products.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 311 IS CREATED TO  
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a physician who is licensed in Kentucky*  
6 *and meets the qualifications to prescribe, dispense, or administer Buprenorphine-*  
7 *Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-Combined-with-Naloxone shall use*  
8 *professional judgement to prescribe, dispense, or administer a specific dosage*  
9 *regimen of Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-Combined-with-*  
10 *Naloxone that best meets the treatment needs of a patient.*

11 *(2) The Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure shall not suspend, limit, or restrict a*  
12 *license or take other disciplinary action against a physician who prescribes,*  
13 *dispenses, or administers Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-*  
14 *Combined-with-Naloxone to a patient in accordance with subsection (1) of this*  
15 *section.*

16 *(3) The board shall promulgate administrative regulations in accordance with KRS*  
17 *Chapter 13A to implement the requirements of this section.*

18 ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 314 IS CREATED TO  
19 READ AS FOLLOWS:

20 *(1) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, an advanced practice registered nurse*  
21 *who is licensed in Kentucky and meets the qualifications to prescribe, dispense,*  
22 *or administer Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-Combined-with-*  
23 *Naloxone shall use professional judgement to prescribe, dispense, or administer a*  
24 *specific dosage regimen of Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-*  
25 *Combined-with-Naloxone that best meets the treatment needs of a patient.*

26 *(2) The board shall not suspend, limit, or restrict a license or take other disciplinary*  
27 *action against an advanced practice registered nurse who prescribes, dispenses,*

- 1        *or administers Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-Combined-with-*  
2        *Naloxone to a patient in accordance with subsection (1) of this section.*  
3        *(3) The board shall promulgate administrative regulations in accordance with KRS*  
4        *Chapter 13A to implement the requirements of this section.*