

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 396 Session of 2017

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES, FEBRUARY 8, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of October 27, 2014 (P.L.2911, No.191),
2 entitled "An act providing for prescription drug monitoring;
3 creating the ABC-MAP Board; establishing the Achieving Better
4 Care by Monitoring All Prescriptions Program; and providing
5 for unlawful acts and penalties," further providing for
6 requirements for prescribers.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 8(a) and (b) of the act of October 27,
10 2014 (P.L.2911, No.191), known as the Achieving Better Care by
11 Monitoring All Prescriptions Program (ABC-MAP) Act, amended
12 November 2, 2016 (P.L.980, No.124), are amended to read:

13 Section 8. Requirements for prescribers.

14 (a) System query.--A prescriber shall query the system[:

15 (1) for each patient the first time the patient is
16 prescribed a controlled substance by the prescriber for
17 purposes of establishing a baseline and a thorough medical
18 record;

1 (2) if a prescriber believes or has reason to believe,
2 using sound clinical judgment, that a patient may be abusing
3 or diverting drugs; or

4 (3) each time a patient is prescribed an opioid drug
5 product or benzodiazepine by the prescriber] for each patient
6 every time the patient is prescribed a controlled substance
7 by the prescriber.

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9 (b) Medical record entries.--A prescriber shall indicate the
10 information obtained from the system in the patient's medical
11 record if[:

12 (1) the individual is a new patient; or

13 (2)] the prescriber determines a drug should not be
14 prescribed or furnished to a patient based upon the
15 information from the system.

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17 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.