

# 26:2G-38

## LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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**LAWS OF:** 2015                    **CHAPTER:** 9

**NJSA:** 26:2G-38 (Requires Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services to annually prepare substance use treatment provider performance report, and make available to public)

**BILL NO:** S2373 (Substituted for A3716)

**SPONSOR(S)** Vitale and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** September 22, 2014

**COMMITTEE:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** ---

**SENATE:** Human Services and Senior Citizens

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** No

**DATE OF PASSAGE:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** December 18, 2014

**SENATE:** December 18, 2014

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** February 5, 2015

### FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL** (Senate Committee Substitute enacted)

#### S2373

**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:** (Begins on page 3 of introduced bill) Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** No

**SENATE:** Yes

(Audio archived recordings of the committee meetings, corresponding to the date of the committee statement, *may possibly* be found at [www.njleg.state.nj.us](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us))

**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:** No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** No

#### A3716

**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:** (Begins on page 3 of introduced bill) Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** Yes

**SENATE:** No

**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:** No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** No

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**VETO MESSAGE:** No

**GOVERNOR'S PRESS RELEASE ON SIGNING:** Yes

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**REPORTS:** No

**HEARINGS:** No

**NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:** Yes

"Christie signs bill to address growing heroin, prescription drug epidemic," northjersey.com, 2-5-15

"Christie signs measures aimed at battling heroin epidemic," The Record, 2-6-15

"Law shields responders administering Narcan," The Times, 2-6-15

"Police department adding Narcan to anti-drug arsenal," Suburban Trends, 2-8-15

"DA: Dozens saved by cops with Narcan," Burlington County Times, 2-8-15

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Senate Committee Substitute for  
Senate, No. 2373

1 AN ACT concerning substance use treatment facility performance,  
2 and supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. The Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services in  
8 the Department of Human Services shall annually prepare a  
9 Substance Use Treatment Provider Performance Report in  
10 accordance with the provisions of this section.

11 b. The performance report shall show and compare the overall  
12 performance of each substance use treatment provider in the State  
13 with the Statewide average performance based on national outcome  
14 measures for each level of care. The division shall use the national  
15 outcome measures identified in subsection c., and, as appropriate,  
16 any other national outcome measures identified by the Substance  
17 Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

18 c. The performance report shall include the following national  
19 outcome measures: (1) percentage of clients abstinent from alcohol  
20 on admission and discharge; (2) percentage of clients abstinent from  
21 drugs on admission and discharge; (3) percentage of clients  
22 employed on admission and discharge; (4) percentage of clients  
23 enrolled in school or a job training program at admission and  
24 discharge; (5) percentage of clients who are homeless on admission  
25 and discharge; and (6) average length of client treatment. The  
26 performance report may also include any other information the  
27 Assistant Commissioner deems appropriate.

28 d. The division shall post the performance report on its  
29 website, and shall make a hard copy of the report available to the  
30 public, upon request.

31 e. As used in this section:

32 “Assistant Commissioner” means the Assistant Commissioner  
33 for the New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction  
34 Services in the Department of Human Services.

35 “Client” means a person who received treatment for substance  
36 use from a substance use treatment provider during the annual  
37 reporting period.

38 “Substance use treatment provider” means any substance use  
39 treatment provider licensed by the Department of Human Services.

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41 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month  
42 following the date of enactment.

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Requires Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services to annually prepare substance use treatment provider performance report, and make available to public.

**SENATE, No. 2373**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**216th LEGISLATURE**

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 22, 2014

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator JOSEPH F. VITALE**

**District 19 (Middlesex)**

**Senator DAWN MARIE ADDIEGO**

**District 8 (Atlantic, Burlington and Camden)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senator Lesniak**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services to annually prepare, and make available to the public, a substance abuse treatment provider performance report.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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2 and supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
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8 the Department of Human Services shall, at least annually, prepare  
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10 accordance with the provisions of this section. The division shall  
11 post a copy of the report on its website, and shall make a hard copy  
12 of the report available to the public, upon request.

13 b. The performance report shall: (1) compare the overall  
14 performance of each substance abuse treatment provider with the  
15 Statewide average performance of all such providers, based on  
16 nationally recognized outcome measures for each level of care; and  
17 (2) rank each substance abuse treatment provider, by level of care,  
18 based on their performance.

19 c. The performance report shall include the following:

20 (1) A client profile that presents: (a) aggregated background  
21 information about clients, which was obtained at the time of their  
22 admission to treatment, including the percentage of clients by  
23 category of gender, race, age, primary substance used, source of  
24 income, and sources of referral to treatment; and (b) aggregated  
25 discharge status of clients, including the situations in which clients  
26 have been released from treatment, and the percentages of clients  
27 experiencing similar discharge situations;

28 (2) Reference to National Outcome Measures (NOMS)  
29 prescribed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services  
30 Administration, which evaluate the status of clients in six critical  
31 domains of living at the time of admission compared to the time of  
32 discharge, including:

33 (a) the percentage difference between clients who are abstinent  
34 from alcohol at admission compared to discharge;

35 (b) the percentage difference between clients who are abstinent  
36 from other drugs at admission compared to discharge;

37 (c) the percentage difference between clients who are employed  
38 full-time and part-time at admission compared to discharge;

39 (d) the percentage difference between clients who are enrolled  
40 in school or a job training program at admission compared to  
41 discharge;

42 (e) the percentage difference between clients who are arrested in  
43 the 30-day period preceding admission compared to the 30-day  
44 period following discharge; and

45 (f) the percentage difference between clients who are homeless  
46 at admission compared to discharge;

47 (3) Reference to consumer-driven performance measures,  
48 including the variety of services offered by a substance abuse

1 treatment provider, and whether the provider participates in the  
2 Medicaid program, treats co-occurring disorders, uses evidence-  
3 based practices, and is tobacco-free; and

4 (4) Any other information the Assistant Commissioner deems  
5 appropriate.

6 d. As used in this section:

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8 for the New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction  
9 Services in the Department of Human Services.

10 “Client” means a person who received treatment for substance  
11 abuse from a substance abuse treatment provider during the annual  
12 reporting period.

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14 abuse treatment provider that is licensed by the Division of Mental  
15 Health and Addiction Services in the Department of Human  
16 Services.

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#### STATEMENT

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25 Services (DMHAS) in the Department of Human Services to  
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28 of the report on its Internet website, and make hard copies of the  
29 report available to the public, upon request.

30 The bill requires the report to: (1) compare the overall  
31 performance of each substance abuse treatment provider with the  
32 Statewide average performance of all such providers, based on  
33 nationally recognized outcome measures (NOMS) for each level of  
34 care; and (2) rank each substance abuse treatment provider, by level  
35 of care, based on their performance. NOMS attempt to capture  
36 meaningful, real life outcomes for people who are striving to attain  
37 and sustain recovery and participate fully in their communities in  
38 the wake of receiving treatment for an active addiction to drugs or  
39 alcohol.

40 Specifically, the bill would require the report to include:

- 41 • A client profile that presents: (a) background information  
42 about clients that is obtained at the time of their admission to  
43 treatment, including the percentages of clients by categories  
44 of gender, race, age, primary substance used, source of  
45 income, and sources of referral to treatment; and (b)  
46 discharge status of clients, including the situations in which  
47 the client leaves treatment, and the percentages of clients  
48 experiencing similar discharge situations;

- 1       • Reference to NOMS prescribed by the Substance Abuse and  
2       Mental Health Services Administration, which provide  
3       information regarding a client’s status at admission and  
4       discharge in six critical domains of living, such as: alcohol  
5       use at admission compared to discharge; other drug use at  
6       admission compared to discharge; employment status (both  
7       full-time and part-time) at admission compared to discharge;  
8       enrollment in school or a job training program at admission  
9       compared to discharge; arrest status in the 30-day period  
10      preceding admission compared to the 30-day period  
11      following discharge; and homelessness at admission  
12      compared to discharge;
- 13      • Reference to consumer-driven performance measures, such  
14      as the variety of services offered by the provider, or whether  
15      the provider participates in the Medicaid program, treats co-  
16      occurring disorders, uses evidence-based practices, and is  
17      tobacco-free; and
- 18      • Any other information the Assistant Commissioner deems  
19      appropriate.

20      The DMHAS currently collects and compiles the information  
21      required pursuant to this bill, and makes the performance  
22      information available on a Statewide and provider-specific basis to  
23      providers in the State, but it does not make the provider-specific  
24      performance reports available to members of the public. Objective  
25      performance information about substance abuse providers in the  
26      State is not otherwise available to consumers who are seeking  
27      substance abuse treatment services, which compounds the difficulty  
28      of selecting the most appropriate treatment provider. The purpose  
29      of this bill, therefore, is to ensure that consumers of substance abuse  
30      treatment services have access to a vital tool to help them select the  
31      most appropriate treatment provider.



SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR  
CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
**SENATE, No. 2373**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: OCTOBER 27, 2014

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably a Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 2373.

This substitute requires the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) in the Department of Human Services to annually prepare a Substance Use Treatment Provider Performance Report. The division would be required to post a copy of the report on its Internet website, and make hard copies of the report available to the public, upon request.

The substitute requires the report to show and compare the overall performance of each substance use treatment provider in the State with the Statewide average performance based on nationally recognized outcome measures (NOMS) for each level of care. NOMS attempt to capture meaningful, real life outcomes for people who are striving to attain and sustain recovery and participate fully in their communities in the wake of receiving treatment for an active addiction to drugs or alcohol.

The report would be required to include the NOMS expressly identified in the bill's provisions, and, as appropriate, any other NOMS identified by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. At the minimum, the bill requires the following NOMS to be included in the report:

- Percentage of clients abstinent from alcohol on admission and discharge;
- Percentage of clients abstinent from drugs on admission and discharge;
- Percentage of clients employed on admission and discharge;
- Percentage of clients enrolled in school or in a job training program at admission and discharge;
- Percentage of clients who are homeless on admission and discharge; and
- Average length of client treatment.

The report may also include any additional information the Assistant Commissioner of DMHAS deems appropriate.

The substitute differs from the bill, as introduced, in the following respects:

- The substitute refers to “substance use treatment” rather than “substance abuse treatment;”
- The substitute does not require the Substance Use Treatment Provider Performance Report to rank each substance use treatment provider;
- The substitute does not require the report to include a client profile that presents aggregated client information;
- The substitute does not require the report to include reference to consumer-driven performance measures; and
- The substitute requires the report to be filed on an annual basis, rather than on “at least” an annual basis.

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
**SENATE, No. 2373**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**216th LEGISLATURE**

ADOPTED OCTOBER 27, 2014

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator JOSEPH F. VITALE**

**District 19 (Middlesex)**

**Senator DAWN MARIE ADDIEGO**

**District 8 (Atlantic, Burlington and Camden)**

**Assemblywoman VALERIE VAINIERI HUTTLE**

**District 37 (Bergen)**

**Assemblywoman SHAVONDA E. SUMTER**

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**Assemblyman RAJ MUKHERJI**

**District 33 (Hudson)**

**Assemblywoman GABRIELA M. MOSQUERA**

**District 4 (Camden and Gloucester)**

**Assemblyman REED GUSCIORA**

**District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senators Lesniak, Greenstein, Assemblymen O'Scanlon, Eustace,  
Assemblywomen Jasey, Lampitt, Pintor Marin and Assemblyman Benson**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services to annually prepare substance use treatment provider performance report, and make available to public.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Substitute as adopted by the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.

**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/19/2014)**

1 AN ACT concerning substance use treatment facility performance,  
2 and supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

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12 performance of each substance use treatment provider in the State  
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15 outcome measures identified in subsection c., and, as appropriate,  
16 any other national outcome measures identified by the Substance  
17 Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

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26 performance report may also include any other information the  
27 Assistant Commissioner deems appropriate.

28 d. The division shall post the performance report on its  
29 website, and shall make a hard copy of the report available to the  
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31 e. As used in this section:

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33 for the New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction  
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41 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month  
42 following the date of enactment.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 3716

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 216th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 22, 2014

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblywoman VALERIE VAINIERI HUTTLE**

**District 37 (Bergen)**

**Assemblywoman SHAVONDA E. SUMTER**

**District 35 (Bergen and Passaic)**

**Assemblyman RAJ MUKHERJI**

**District 33 (Hudson)**

**Assemblywoman GABRIELA M. MOSQUERA**

**District 4 (Camden and Gloucester)**

**Assemblyman REED GUSCIORA**

**District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

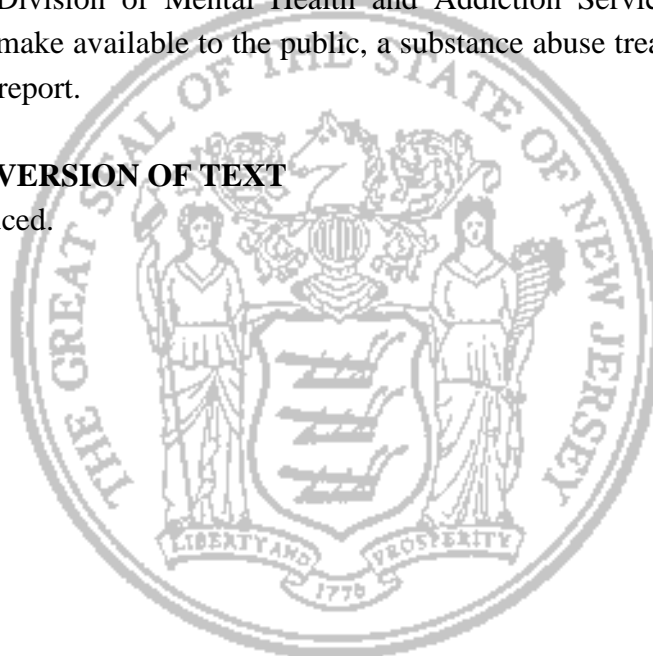
**Assemblyman O'Scanlon**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services to annually prepare, and make available to the public, a substance abuse treatment provider performance report.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/14/2014)**

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24 income, and sources of referral to treatment; and (b) aggregated  
25 discharge status of clients, including the situations in which clients  
26 have been released from treatment, and the percentages of clients  
27 experiencing similar discharge situations;

28 (2) Reference to National Outcome Measures (NOMS)  
29 prescribed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services  
30 Administration, which evaluate the status of clients in six critical  
31 domains of living at the time of admission compared to the time of  
32 discharge, including:

33 (a) the percentage difference between clients who are abstinent  
34 from alcohol at admission compared to discharge;

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37 (c) the percentage difference between clients who are employed  
38 full-time and part-time at admission compared to discharge;

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40 in school or a job training program at admission compared to  
41 discharge;

42 (e) the percentage difference between clients who are arrested in  
43 the 30-day period preceding admission compared to the 30-day  
44 period following discharge; and

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47 (3) Reference to consumer-driven performance measures,  
48 including the variety of services offered by a substance abuse

1 treatment provider, and whether the provider participates in the  
2 Medicaid program, treats co-occurring disorders, uses evidence-  
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21      required pursuant to this bill, and makes the performance  
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# ASSEMBLY HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR ASSEMBLY, No. 3716

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 28, 2014

The Assembly Human Services Committee reports favorably an Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 3716.

This substitute requires the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) in the Department of Human Services to annually prepare a Substance Use Treatment Provider Performance Report. The division would be required to post a copy of the report on its Internet website, and make hard copies of the report available to the public, upon request.

The substitute requires the report to compare the overall performance of each substance use treatment provider in the State with the Statewide average performance based on nationally recognized outcome measures (NOMS) for each level of care. NOMS attempt to capture meaningful, real life outcomes for people who are striving to attain and sustain recovery and participate fully in their communities in the wake of receiving treatment for an active addiction to drugs or alcohol.

The report would be required to include the NOMS expressly identified in the bill's provisions, and, as appropriate, any other NOMS identified by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. At the minimum, the bill requires the following NOMS to be included in the report:

- Percentage of clients abstinent from alcohol on admission and discharge;
- Percentage of clients abstinent from drugs on admission and discharge;
- Percentage of clients employed on admission and discharge;
- Percentage of clients enrolled in school or in a job training program at admission and discharge;
- Percentage of clients who are homeless on admission and discharge; and
- Average length of client treatment.

The report may also include any additional information the Assistant Commissioner of DMHAS deems appropriate.

The substitute differs from the bill, as introduced. The substitute refers to "substance use treatment" rather than "substance abuse

treatment”; does not require the report to rank each substance use treatment provider; does not require the report to include a client profile that presents aggregated client information; does not require the report to include reference to consumer-driven performance measures; and the report is to be filed on an annual basis, rather than “at least” on an annual basis.

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 3716**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**216th LEGISLATURE**

ADOPTED NOVEMBER 13, 2014

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblywoman VALERIE VAINIERI HUTTLE**

**District 37 (Bergen)**

**Assemblywoman SHAVONDA E. SUMTER**

**District 35 (Bergen and Passaic)**

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**Co-Sponsored by:**

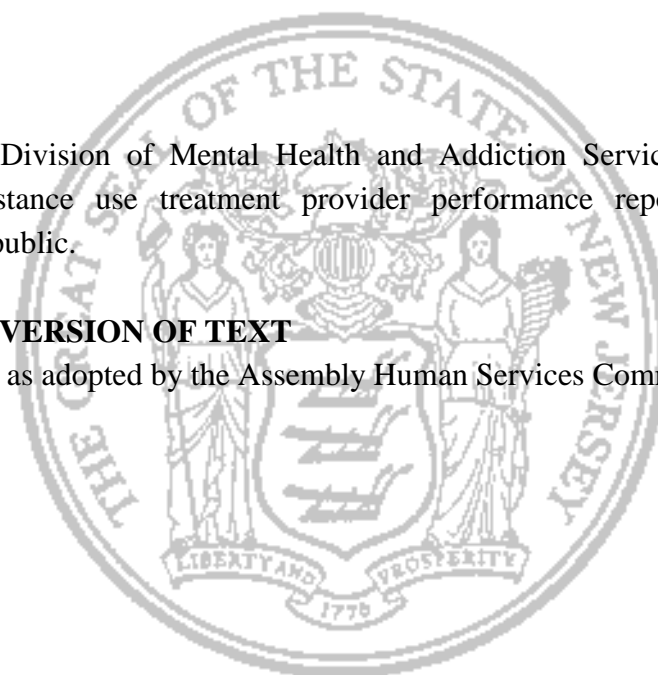
**Assemblymen O'Scanlon, Eustace, Assemblywomen Jasey, Lampitt, Pintor  
Marin and Assemblyman Benson**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services to annually prepare substance use treatment provider performance report, and make available to public.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Substitute as adopted by the Assembly Human Services Committee.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/19/2014)**

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18 c. The performance report shall include the following national  
19 outcome measures: (1) percentage of clients abstinent from alcohol  
20 on admission and discharge; (2) percentage of clients abstinent from  
21 drugs on admission and discharge; (3) percentage of clients  
22 employed on admission and discharge; (4) percentage of clients  
23 enrolled in school or a job training program at admission and  
24 discharge; (5) percentage of clients who are homeless on admission  
25 and discharge; and (6) average length of client treatment. The  
26 performance report may also include any other information the  
27 Assistant Commissioner deems appropriate.

28 d. The division shall post the performance report on its  
29 website, and shall make a hard copy of the report available to the  
30 public, upon request.

31 e. As used in this section:

32 "Assistant Commissioner" means the Assistant Commissioner  
33 for the New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction  
34 Services in the Department of Human Services.

35 "Client" means a person who received treatment for substance  
36 use from a substance use treatment provider during the annual  
37 reporting period.

38 "Substance use treatment provider" means any substance use  
39 treatment provider licensed by the Department of Human Services.

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41 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month  
42 following the date of enactment.

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## *New Law Cements Immunity Provision For First Responders To Save Even More Lives*

Trenton, NJ – Building on a commitment to reclaim lives from the menace of drug addiction, Governor Christie today signed legislation expanding the bipartisan Overdose Prevention Act of 2013 by adding a provision that provides immunity to first responders. The new law cements in statute the protections for first responders taking part in the Christie Administration’s lifesaving Narcan pilot program and EMS waiver in effect in communities throughout New Jersey.

The bill, S-2378, clarifies immunity provisions for administering and dispensing Narcan to individuals and programs involved in the treatment of substance abuse and those that interact with substance abusers.

“Nearly two years ago, I signed the bipartisan Overdose Prevention Act to protect those good Samaritans who attempt to help a drug overdose victim by administering overdose antidotes in life-threatening situations,” said Governor Christie. “Today, we are cementing in our laws those same protections for our first responders who are doing this incredible, lifesaving work every day under our statewide Narcan program. By doing so, we will have an even greater ability to save lives, reverse the effects of overdose and prevent tragedies with this life-saving treatment.”

The legislation advances the successful efforts of the Attorney General and the Commissioner of the Department of Health over the past year in implementing programs and removing regulatory barriers to enable the widespread availability of Narcan treatment.

According to the most recent statistics provided by Department of Health, 186 EMS squads have registered with the department and 245 Narcan administrations have occurred since the March 2014 waiver signed by Governor Christie.

In addition, 473 law enforcement agencies have been trained in Narcan administration and are currently carrying Narcan on patrol. More than 585 overdoses have been reversed through successful naloxone deployment.

In addition to S-2378, Governor Christie today signed two other bills that will help add to New Jersey’s drug treatment and prevention efforts:

**SCS for S-2373/ACS for A-3716 (Vitale, Addiego/Vainieri Huttie, Sumter, Mukherji, Mosquera, Gusciora)** - Requires Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services to annually prepare substance use treatment provider performance report, and make available to public

**SCS for S-2380/ACS for A-3722 (Vitale, Lesniak/Vainieri Huttie, Sumter, Mukherji, Angelini, Mosquera, Gusciora)** - Requires DHS and DOC to formulate joint arrangement and plan to ensure provision of mental health and substance use disorder services to inmates

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