State Legislation: Overdose Prevention

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Which States Have Passed a Naloxone Access Law?

1. Alabama a, b, c, e, f, i
2. Arkansas a, b, c, f
3. California a, b, c, d, e, f, h
4. Colorado a, b, c, f
5. Connecticut a, b
6. Delaware†
7. Florida a, b, c, f, i
8. Georgia a, b, c, e, f, i
9. Idaho a, b, c, e, t, h
10. Illinois a, c, d, e, g, h
11. Indiana b, c, f, i
12. Kentucky a, c, d, e, f, i
13. Louisiana i
14. Massachusetts a, c, h
15. Maryland a, c, h, b, h
16. Maine a, b, c, d, e, f, t, h, i
17. Michigan a, b, c, e, f, h
18. Minnesota a, b, c, d, e, f, h
19. Mississippi a, b, c, e, f, i
20. Nebraska a, c, e
21. Nevada a, b, c, e, f, h, i
22. New Hampshire a, b, c, e, t, h
23. New Jersey a, b, c, d, e, f, h, i
24. New Mexico a, b, c, e, f, g
25. New York a, b, c, f, g
26. North Carolina a, b, c, d, e, f
27. North Dakota a, b, c, e, t, h
28. Ohio a, b, c, f, i
29. Oklahoma c
30. Oregon c, f
31. Pennsylvania a, b, c, d, e, t, h
32. Rhode Island a, b, c, d, e, t, h
33. South Carolina a, b, c, d, e, f, i
34. South Dakota b, d, i
35. Tennessee b, d, f
36. Texas a, b, c, d, e, f, h, i
37. Utah b, c, f
38. Vermont a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h
39. Virginia b, c, e, t, g
40. Washington a, b, c, e, f, h
41. West Virginia a, b, c, e, f, h, i
42. Wisconsin a, b, c, d, e, f, h, i

Which States Have Passed a 911 Good Samaritan Law?

1. Alabama†
2. Alaska†
3. Arkansas†
4. California†
5. Colorado†
6. Connecticut†
7. Delaware†
8. Florida†
9. Georgia†
10. Hawaii†
11. Illinois†
12. Kentucky†
13. Louisiana†
14. Maryland†
15. Massachusetts†
16. Minnesota†
17. Mississippi†
18. Nevada†
19. New Hampshire†
20. New Jersey†
21. New Mexico†
22. New York†
23. North Carolina†
24. North Dakota†
25. Oregon†
26. Pennsylvania†
27. Rhode Island†
28. Tennessee†
29. Vermont†
30. Washington State†
31. West Virginia†
32. Wisconsin†

a = Prescribers immune from criminal liability
b = Prescribers immune from civil liability
c = Allows naloxone prescription for use by a third party
d = Prescription by ‘standing order’ authorized; prescriber can authorize multiple prescriptions to a naloxone dispensing facility
e = Layperson administering naloxone in good faith immune from criminal prosecution
f = Layperson administering naloxone in good faith immune from civil liability
g = State naloxone training and/or dispensing program created
h = Removes criminal liability for possession and/or use of naloxone by a third party to whom the naloxone was not prescribed
i = Includes emergency ‘first responders’ (police, firefighters, EMS)
† = Good Samaritan law does not include naloxone access provision