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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A PILOT PROGRAM IN CERTAIN AREAS**
102 **OF THE STATE EXPERIENCING HIGH LEVELS OF OPIOID**
103 **ADDICTION TO AWARD GRANTS TO INCREASE ACCESS TO**
104 **ADDICTION TREATMENT.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill creates the medication-assisted treatment (MAT) expansion pilot program, administered by the university of Colorado college of nursing, to expand access to medication-assisted treatment to

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*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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opioid-dependent patients in Pueblo and Routt counties. The pilot program will provide grants to community- and office-based practices, behavioral health organizations, and substance abuse treatment organizations to:

- ! Assist nurse practitioners and physician assistants working in those settings to obtain training and support required under the federal "Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2016" (CARA) to enable them to prescribe buprenorphine as part of providing MAT to opioid-dependent patients; and
- ! Provide behavioral therapies in conjunction with medication as part of the provision of MAT to opioid-dependent patients.

The general assembly is directed to appropriate \$500,000 per year for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 fiscal years from the marijuana tax cash fund to the university of Colorado board of regents, for allocation to the college of nursing to implement the pilot program.

Each grant recipient must submit a report to the college of nursing regarding the use of the grant, and the college of nursing must submit a summarized report to the governor and the health committees of the senate and house of representatives regarding the pilot program.

The pilot program is established and funded for 2 years and repeals on June 30, 2020.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 8 to article
3 21 of title 23 as follows:

4 PART 8

5 MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT (MAT)

6 EXPANSION PILOT PROGRAM

7 **23-21-801. Short title.** THE SHORT TITLE OF THIS PART 8 IS THE
8 "MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT EXPANSION PILOT PROGRAM ACT".

9 **23-21-802. Legislative declaration.** (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
10 FINDS THAT:

11 (a) IN AN EFFORT TO ADDRESS THE GROWING OPIOID ADDICTION
12 PROBLEM THROUGHOUT THE NATION, ON JULY 22, 2016, PRESIDENT

1 OBAMA SIGNED INTO LAW THE FEDERAL "COMPREHENSIVE ADDICTION
2 AND RECOVERY ACT OF 2016", ALSO REFERRED TO AS "CARA";

3 (b) CARA AUTHORIZES QUALIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONERS AND
4 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS IN COMMUNITY- AND OFFICE-BASED PRACTICE
5 SETTINGS TO PRESCRIBE CERTAIN MEDICATIONS USED IN THE TREATMENT
6 OF OPIOID ADDICTION AS A MEANS OF INCREASING ACCESS TO TREATMENT
7 FOR OPIOID-DEPENDENT PATIENTS;

8 (c) OPIOID ADDICTION HAS EMERGED AS A SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC
9 HEALTH CONCERN IN COLORADO, WITH OVER TEN THOUSAND DEATHS
10 ATTRIBUTED TO DRUG OVERDOSE SINCE 2000 AND THE ANNUAL RATE OF
11 DRUG OVERDOSE DEATHS DOUBLING FROM 7.8 DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED
12 THOUSAND PEOPLE IN 2000 TO 15.7 DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND
13 PEOPLE IN 2015, A RATE SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER THAN THE NATIONAL
14 RATE;

15 (d) SOUTHEAST COLORADO COMPRISES SIX PERCENT OF THE
16 STATE'S POPULATION AND ACCOUNTS FOR EIGHTEEN PERCENT OF
17 ADMISSIONS FOR HEROIN TREATMENT, THE PUEBLO COUNTY JAIL SEES
18 OVER ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED OPIOID PROTOCOL PRISONERS EACH
19 YEAR, AND THE PUEBLO FIRE DEPARTMENT USED AN OPIOID ANTAGONIST
20 TO HALT AN OPIOID-RELATED DRUG OVERDOSE EVENT ONE HUNDRED
21 FORTY TIMES IN 2015;

22 (e) IN ROUTT COUNTY, DRUG OVERDOSE DEATH RATES HAVE
23 INCREASED NEARLY SIX-FOLD FROM 2014 TO 2016, AND OVER SIXTY-FIVE
24 PERCENT OF THESE DEATHS WERE RELATED TO PRESCRIPTION OPIOIDS;

25 (f) DESPITE THE PREVALENCE OF OPIOID ADDICTION AND
26 OPIOID-RELATED OVERDOSE EVENTS IN PUEBLO AND ROUTT COUNTIES,
27 ONLY THREE DOCTORS IN PUEBLO COUNTY AND ONE DOCTOR IN ROUTT

1 COUNTY ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT TO
2 OPIOID-DEPENDENT PATIENTS IN THOSE COUNTIES;

3 (g) MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT, WHICH INCLUDES THE USE
4 OF MEDICATION AND BEHAVIORAL THERAPIES TO TREAT INDIVIDUALS WITH
5 OPIOID ADDICTIVE DISORDERS:

6 (I) HAS PROVEN TO BE CLINICALLY EFFECTIVE AND TO
7 SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE NEED FOR INPATIENT DETOXIFICATION
8 SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH OPIOID ADDICTIVE DISORDERS;

9 (II) PROVIDES A COMPREHENSIVE, INDIVIDUALLY TAILORED
10 PROGRAM OF TREATMENT FOR OPIOID-DEPENDENT PATIENTS;

11 (III) IS INTENDED TO ACHIEVE FULL RECOVERY;

12 (IV) CAN CONTRIBUTE TO LOWERING A PERSON'S RISK OF
13 CONTRACTING HIV OR HEPATITIS C BY REDUCING THE POTENTIAL FOR
14 RELAPSE; AND

15 (V) HAS IMPROVED PATIENT SURVIVAL RATES, INCREASED
16 RETENTION IN TREATMENT, DECREASED ILLICIT OPIOID USE AND OTHER
17 CRIMINAL ACTIVITY AMONG INDIVIDUALS WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE
18 DISORDERS, INCREASED PATIENTS' ABILITY TO ATTAIN AND RETAIN
19 EMPLOYMENT, AND IMPROVED BIRTH OUTCOMES AMONG PREGNANT
20 WOMEN WHO HAVE SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS;

21 (h) IN ORDER TO INCREASE ACCESS TO ADDICTION TREATMENT IN
22 AREAS OF THE STATE WHERE OPIOID ADDICTION IS PREVALENT, IT IS
23 NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM TO AWARD GRANTS TO:

24 (I) ORGANIZATIONS OR PRACTICES WITH NURSE PRACTITIONERS
25 AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS TO ENABLE THEM TO OBTAIN THE TRAINING
26 AND ONGOING SUPPORT REQUIRED TO PRESCRIBE MEDICATIONS, SUCH AS
27 BUPRENORPHINE AND ALL OTHER MEDICATIONS AND THERAPIES APPROVED

1 BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, TO TREAT OPIOID USE
2 DISORDERS; AND

3 (II) COMMUNITY AGENCIES TO PROVIDE BEHAVIORAL THERAPIES,
4 IN CONJUNCTION WITH MEDICATION TREATMENT, TO TREAT INDIVIDUALS
5 WITH OPIOID USE DISORDERS; AND

6 (i) SINCE THE PILOT PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE ACCESS TO
7 TREATMENT TO INDIVIDUALS WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS, THE USE
8 OF RETAIL MARIJUANA TAX REVENUES TO FUND THE PILOT PROGRAM IS
9 AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 39-28.8-501 (2)(b)(IV)(C).

10 **23-21-803. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS PART 8, UNLESS THE
11 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

12 (1) "ADVISORY BOARD" MEANS THE MAT EXPANSION ADVISORY
13 BOARD CREATED IN SECTION 23-21-805.

14 (2) "COLLEGE OF NURSING" MEANS THE COLLEGE OF NURSING AT
15 THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO ANSCHUTZ MEDICAL CAMPUS, OPERATED
16 BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

17 (3) "FEDERAL ACT" MEANS SECTION 303 OF THE FEDERAL
18 "COMPREHENSIVE ADDICTION AND RECOVERY ACT OF 2016", PUB.L.
19 114-198.

20 (4) "MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT" OR "MAT" MEANS A
21 COMBINATION OF BEHAVIORAL THERAPY AND MEDICATIONS, SUCH AS
22 BUPRENORPHINE AND ALL OTHER MEDICATIONS AND THERAPIES,
23 APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION TO TREAT
24 OPIOID USE DISORDER.

25 (5) "NURSE PRACTITIONER" MEANS AN ADVANCED PRACTICE
26 NURSE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-38-103 (1.5), WHO IS LISTED ON THE
27 ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTRY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION

1 12-38-111.5 AND IS AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING IN
2 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 12-38-111.6 TO PRESCRIBE CONTROLLED
3 SUBSTANCES AND PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

4 (6) "PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT" MEANS A PERSON LICENSED AS A
5 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT BY THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD IN
6 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 12-36-107.4 WHO IS AUTHORIZED, IN
7 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 12-36-106 (5), TO PERFORM ACTS
8 CONSTITUTING THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE, INCLUDING PRESCRIBING
9 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

10 (7) "PILOT PROGRAM" OR "MAT EXPANSION PILOT PROGRAM"
11 MEANS THE MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT EXPANSION PILOT
12 PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 23-21-804.

13 (8) "PILOT PROGRAM AREA" MEANS THE AREAS OF THE STATE IN
14 WHICH THE PILOT PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE, AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION
15 23-21-804 (1)(b).

16 (9) "QUALIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONER OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT"
17 MEANS A NURSE PRACTITIONER OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT WHO IS A
18 QUALIFYING PRACTITIONER, AS DEFINED IN THE FEDERAL ACT AND
19 REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THE FEDERAL ACT, AND IS REGISTERED IN
20 ACCORDANCE WITH 21 U.S.C. SEC. 823 (g).

21 **23-21-804. Medication-assisted treatment expansion pilot**
22 **program - created - pilot program location - eligible grant recipients**
23 **- rules.** (1) (a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED THE MEDICATION-ASSISTED
24 TREATMENT EXPANSION PILOT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO
25 COMMUNITY AGENCIES, OFFICE-BASED PRACTICES, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
26 ORGANIZATIONS, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT ORGANIZATIONS TO
27 ENABLE:

1 (I) NURSE PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS WORKING IN
2 THOSE SETTINGS TO OBTAIN TRAINING AND ONGOING SUPPORT REQUIRED
3 UNDER THE FEDERAL ACT IN ORDER TO PRESCRIBE BUPRENORPHINE AND
4 ALL OTHER MEDICATIONS AND THERAPIES APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL
5 FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AS PART OF MEDICATION-ASSISTED
6 TREATMENT PROVIDED TO INDIVIDUALS WITH AN OPIOID USE DISORDER;
7 AND

8 (II) THOSE AGENCIES, PRACTICES, AND ORGANIZATIONS TO
9 PROVIDE BEHAVIORAL THERAPIES AND SUPPORT IN CONJUNCTION WITH
10 MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH AN OPIOID USE
11 DISORDER.

12 (b) THE MAT EXPANSION PILOT PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE TO
13 PROVIDE GRANTS TO COMMUNITY AGENCIES, OFFICE-BASED PRACTICES,
14 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE
15 TREATMENT ORGANIZATIONS PRACTICING OR PROVIDING TREATMENT IN
16 PUEBLO COUNTY OR ROUTT COUNTY.

17 (2) A GRANT RECIPIENT MAY USE THE MONEY RECEIVED THROUGH
18 THE PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

19 (a) TO ENABLE NURSE PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS
20 PRACTICING OR WORKING IN THE GRANT RECIPIENT'S SETTING IN THE PILOT
21 AREA TO OBTAIN THE TRAINING REQUIRED TO BE A QUALIFIED NURSE
22 PRACTITIONER OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IN ORDER TO PRESCRIBE
23 BUPRENORPHINE AND ALL OTHER MEDICATIONS AND THERAPIES APPROVED
24 BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AS PART OF
25 MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH OPIOID USE
26 DISORDERS; AND

27 (b) TO INCREASE ACCESS TO MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT

1 FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH OPIOID USE DISORDERS IN THE PILOT AREA.

2 (3) THE COLLEGE OF NURSING SHALL ADMINISTER THE MAT
3 EXPANSION PILOT PROGRAM AND, SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE
4 APPROPRIATIONS, SHALL AWARD GRANTS AS PROVIDED IN THIS PART 8
5 STARTING AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE IN THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR, BUT NO
6 LATER THAN JANUARY 2018. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS,
7 GRANTS SHALL BE PAID OUT OF MONEY ANNUALLY APPROPRIATED FOR THE
8 PILOT PROGRAM AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 23-21-808.

9 (4) THE COLLEGE OF NURSING SHALL IMPLEMENT THE MAT
10 EXPANSION PILOT PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PART 8 AND SHALL
11 DEVELOP, WITH ASSISTANCE FROM AND IN COORDINATION WITH THE
12 ADVISORY BOARD, PILOT PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES AS
13 NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PILOT PROGRAM, INCLUDING GUIDELINES
14 AND PROCEDURES SPECIFYING THE TIME FRAMES FOR APPLYING FOR
15 GRANTS; THE FORM OF THE PILOT PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION; THE
16 TIME FRAMES FOR DISTRIBUTING GRANT MONEY, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE,
17 AND CONSULTATION TO GRANT RECIPIENTS; AND EVALUATION OF THE
18 PILOT PROGRAM.

19 **23-21-805. MAT expansion advisory board - created - duties.**

20 (1) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED IN THE COLLEGE OF NURSING THE MAT
21 EXPANSION ADVISORY BOARD, WHICH SHALL:

22 (a) REVIEW AND APPROVE PILOT PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND
23 PROCEDURES;

24 (b) ADVISE AND PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE COLLEGE OF
25 NURSING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PILOT PROGRAM;

26 (c) REVIEW AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COLLEGE OF
27 NURSING ON GRANT APPLICATIONS, INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR

1 GRANT AWARD AMOUNTS;

2 (d) ASSIST THE COLLEGE OF NURSING IN EVALUATING THE PILOT
3 PROGRAM; AND

4 (e) PERFORM OTHER TASKS, AS REQUESTED BY THE COLLEGE OF
5 NURSING, RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF
6 THE PILOT PROGRAM.

7 (2) (a) THE ADVISORY BOARD CONSISTS OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
8 THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES OR ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE DESIGNATED BY
9 THE ENTITY OR ORGANIZATION:

10 (I) THE COLLEGE OF NURSING;

11 (II) THE STATE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREND AND RESPONSE TASK
12 FORCE CREATED IN SECTION 18-18.5-103;

13 (III) THE COLORADO CONSORTIUM FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE
14 PREVENTION, ADMINISTERED UNDER THE SCHOOL OF PHARMACY AND
15 PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO
16 ANSCHUTZ MEDICAL CAMPUS;

17 (IV) THE COLORADO NURSES ASSOCIATION;

18 (V) THE COLORADO ACADEMY OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; AND

19 (VI) THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
20 COLORADO.

21 (b) IN ADDITION TO THE MEMBERS SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (2)(a)
22 OF THIS SECTION, AT LEAST ONE MEDICAL OR PUBLIC HEALTH
23 PROFESSIONAL FROM EACH COUNTY IN THE PILOT AREA, APPOINTED AS
24 FOLLOWS, SHALL SERVE ON THE ADVISORY BOARD:

25 (I) THE NORTHWEST COLORADO COMMUNITY HEALTH
26 PARTNERSHIP IN ROUTT COUNTY SHALL APPOINT A MEDICAL OR PUBLIC
27 HEALTH PROFESSIONAL FROM ROUTT COUNTY; AND

1 (II) THE PUEBLO COUNTY HEROIN TASK FORCE SHALL APPOINT A
2 MEDICAL OR PUBLIC HEALTH PROFESSIONAL FROM PUEBLO COUNTY.

3 **23-21-806. Grant application - criteria - awards.** (1) TO
4 RECEIVE A GRANT, AN ELIGIBLE ORGANIZATION OR PRACTICE MUST SUBMIT
5 AN APPLICATION TO THE COLLEGE OF NURSING IN ACCORDANCE WITH
6 PILOT PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BY THE
7 COLLEGE OF NURSING. AT A MINIMUM, THE APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE
8 THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

9 (a) THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT WILL USE THE GRANT;

10 (b) THE AMOUNT OF GRANT MONEY REQUESTED;

11 (c) THE NUMBER OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN
12 ASSISTANTS WILLING TO COMPLETE THE REQUIRED TRAINING;

13 (d) IDENTIFICATION OF ANY INCENTIVES TO ASSIST NURSE
14 PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS IN COMPLETING THE REQUIRED
15 TRAINING AND BECOMING CERTIFIED TO PRESCRIBE BUPRENORPHINE;

16 (e) AN AGREEMENT TO INSTITUTE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR
17 IMPLEMENTING MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT;

18 (f) A DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE APPLICANT WILL ACHIEVE
19 IMPROVED ACCESS TO MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT IN THE PILOT
20 AREA;

21 (g) IDENTIFICATION OF EXPECTED OUTCOMES OF CARE FOR
22 OPIOID-DEPENDENT PATIENTS; AND

23 (h) AN EVALUATION PLAN.

24 (2) THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL REVIEW THE APPLICATIONS
25 RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO
26 THE COLLEGE OF NURSING REGARDING GRANT RECIPIENTS AND AWARDS.
27 IN RECOMMENDING GRANT AWARDS AND IN AWARDING GRANTS, THE

1 ADVISORY BOARD AND THE COLLEGE OF NURSING SHALL CONSIDER THE
2 FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- 3 (a) THE ELIGIBILITY OF THE APPLICANTS;
- 4 (b) THE NUMBER OF OPIOID-DEPENDENT PATIENTS THAT COULD BE
5 SERVED BY NURSE PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS WORKING IN
6 OR WITH A PRACTICE OR ORGANIZATION APPLYING FOR A GRANT;
- 7 (c) THE WRITTEN COMMITMENT OF THE APPLICANT TO IMPLEMENT
8 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR PROVIDING MAT;
- 9 (d) THE WRITTEN COMMITMENT OF THE APPLICANT TO HAVE NURSE
10 PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS PARTICIPATE IN PERIODIC
11 CONSULTATIONS WITH COLLEGE OF NURSING STAFF; AND
- 12 (e) THE WRITTEN COMMITMENT OF THE APPLICANT TO PARTICIPATE
13 IN THE EVALUATION OF THE PILOT PROGRAM.

14 (3) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, IN THE 2017-18 AND
15 2018-19 FISCAL YEARS, THE COLLEGE OF NURSING SHALL AWARD GRANTS
16 TO APPLICANTS APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION AND SHALL
17 DISTRIBUTE THE GRANT MONEY TO GRANT RECIPIENTS WITHIN NINETY
18 DAYS AFTER ISSUING THE GRANT AWARDS.

19 **23-21-807. Reporting requirements.** (1) EACH ORGANIZATION
20 OR PRACTICE THAT RECEIVES A GRANT THROUGH THE PILOT PROGRAM
21 SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COLLEGE OF NURSING BY A
22 DATE SET BY THE COLLEGE OF NURSING. AT A MINIMUM, THE REPORT MUST
23 INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- 24 (a) THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT AND THE DATE ON WHICH THE
25 GRANT WAS RECEIVED;
- 26 (b) AN ACCOUNTING OF HOW THE GRANT MONEY WAS SPENT AND
27 WHETHER ANY GRANT MONEY WAS NOT EXPENDED;

1 (c) THE NUMBER OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN
2 ASSISTANTS WHO WERE TRAINED AND WHO RECEIVED CERTIFICATION TO
3 PRESCRIBE BUPRENORPHINE AND ALL OTHER MEDICATIONS AND THERAPIES
4 APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION TO TREAT
5 OPIOID USE DISORDER; AND

6 (d) A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE TRAINING RECEIVED BY
7 NURSE PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; WHETHER THE NURSE
8 PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS COMPLETED THE TRAINING AND
9 ATTAINED STATUS AS A QUALIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONER OR PHYSICIAN
10 ASSISTANT; WHETHER THE NURSE PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN
11 ASSISTANTS THAT ATTAINED QUALIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONER OR
12 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STATUS ARE CURRENTLY ABLE TO PROVIDE AND ARE
13 PROVIDING MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT TO OPIOID-DEPENDENT
14 PATIENTS; THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WITH OPIOID USE DISORDERS
15 TREATED IN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS BEFORE THE PILOT PROGRAM; AND
16 THE NUMBER OF OPIOID-DEPENDENT PATIENTS TREATED DURING THE PILOT
17 PROGRAM PERIOD BY EACH QUALIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONER OR PHYSICIAN
18 ASSISTANT.

19 (2) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2018, AND ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30,
20 2019, THE COLLEGE OF NURSING SHALL SUBMIT A SUMMARIZED REPORT ON
21 THE PILOT PROGRAM TO THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
22 OF THE SENATE AND THE HEALTH, INSURANCE, AND ENVIRONMENT AND
23 PUBLIC HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE
24 OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, AND TO THE
25 GOVERNOR. AT A MINIMUM, THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE:

- 26 (a) A DESCRIPTION OF THE PILOT PROGRAM;
- 27 (b) A LIST IDENTIFYING THE GRANT RECIPIENTS, INCLUDING THE

1 AMOUNT AWARDED TO EACH GRANT RECIPIENT AND A DETAILED
2 DESCRIPTION OF HOW EACH GRANT RECIPIENT USED THE GRANT AWARD;

3 (c) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS AND PHYSICIAN
4 ASSISTANTS WHO COMPLETED THE REQUIRED TRAINING AND BECAME
5 CERTIFIED TO PRESCRIBE BUPRENORPHINE, LISTED BY COUNTY
6 PARTICIPATING IN THE PILOT PROGRAM;

7 (d) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PATIENTS SERVED DURING THE COURSE
8 OF THE PILOT PROGRAM, LISTED BY COUNTY PARTICIPATING IN THE PILOT
9 PROGRAM;

10 (e) A SUMMARY OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES INSTITUTED BY
11 GRANT RECIPIENTS RELATED TO THE PROVISION OF MAT BY QUALIFIED
12 NURSE PRACTITIONERS AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS;

13 (f) A SUMMARY OF EVALUATION RESULTS OF THE PILOT PROGRAM;
14 AND

15 (g) A SUMMARY OF LESSONS LEARNED AND RECOMMENDATIONS
16 FOR IMPLEMENTING MAT AS PROVIDED BY NURSE PRACTITIONERS AND
17 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS IN OTHER COMMUNITIES IN THE STATE.

18 **23-21-808. Funding for pilot program.** (1) (a) FOR THE 2017-18
19 AND 2018-19 STATE FISCAL YEARS, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL
20 ANNUALLY APPROPRIATE FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS PER FISCAL
21 YEAR FROM THE MARIJUANA TAX CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION
22 39-28.8-501 TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
23 COLORADO, FOR ALLOCATION TO THE COLLEGE OF NURSING TO IMPLEMENT
24 THE MAT EXPANSION PILOT PROGRAM. THE COLLEGE OF NURSING MAY
25 USE A PORTION OF THE MONEY ANNUALLY APPROPRIATED FOR THE PILOT
26 PROGRAM TO PAY THE DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS THAT THE COLLEGE OF
27 NURSING INCURS TO ADMINISTER THE PILOT PROGRAM, AS WELL AS TO

1 PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES TO AND OVERSIGHT OF GRANT RECIPIENTS,
2 FOR DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS, EVALUATION OF THE PILOT
3 PROGRAM, AND PROGRAM REPORTING.

4 (b) IF ANY UNEXPENDED OR UNCOMMITTED MONEY APPROPRIATED
5 FOR THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR REMAINS AT THE END OF THAT FISCAL
6 YEAR, THE SCHOOL OF NURSING MAY EXPEND THE MONEY IN ACCORDANCE
7 WITH THIS SECTION IN THE 2018-19 FISCAL YEAR. ANY UNEXPENDED OR
8 UNCOMMITTED MONEY REMAINING AT THE END OF THE 2018-19 FISCAL
9 YEAR REVERTS TO THE MARIJUANA TAX CASH FUND.

10 (2) THE COLLEGE OF NURSING MAY ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY
11 GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS IT RECEIVES TO IMPLEMENT OR ADMINISTER
12 THE PILOT PROGRAM.

13 **23-21-809. Repeal of part.** THIS PART 8 IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE
14 JUNE 30, 2020.

15 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
16 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
17 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.