

STATE OF ARIZONA  
EXECUTIVE ORDER

**Executive Order 2017-04**  
**Enhanced Surveillance Advisory**

**WHEREAS**, the deaths that are the direct result of opioid overdose are preventable; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Department of Health Services requires more robust and more accurate data to successfully combat the opioid overdose epidemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 5, 2017, I declared that a State of Emergency exists in Arizona due to the opioid overdose epidemic; and

**WHEREAS**, consultation with the Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services in accordance with A.R.S. § 36-782, as well as the Director's consultation with local health authorities in accordance with A.R.S. § 36-782(C), have informed me and provided the foundation for the following elements contained within this Enhanced Surveillance Advisory; and

**WHEREAS**, Article 5, Section 4 of the Arizona Constitution and Title 41, Chapter 1, Article 1 of the Arizona Revised Statutes vests the executive power of the State of Arizona in the Governor;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Arizona do hereby issue an Enhanced Surveillance Advisory for the opioid overdose epidemic and direct the following actions in accordance with A.R.S. § 36-782(B):

1. Those persons and/or entities required to report data are as follows:
  - Healthcare providers licensed by Title 36;
  - Administrator of a health care institution or correctional facility;
  - EMS/Ambulance to include:
    - First response agencies
    - Ground and air ambulance services
  - Medical Examiners;
  - Pharmacists;
  - Arizona Criminal Justice Commission;
  - Arizona Department of Economic Security;
  - Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System;
  - Arizona Health and Medical Boards to include:
    - Arizona Medical Board
    - Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners
    - Arizona State Board of Nursing
    - Arizona Board of Dental Examiners

- Arizona Regulatory Board of Physicians Assistants
  - Arizona State Board of Pharmacy
  - Arizona Podiatry Board
  - Arizona Naturopathic Board
  - Arizona Optometry Board
  - Arizona Veterinary Board
  - Arizona Health Information Exchange (Health Current);
  - Licensed Health Care Institutions, including behavioral health institutions;
  - Local Law Enforcement Agencies to include:
    - County law enforcement agencies
    - County jails
    - County juvenile detention facilities
    - Police departments
    - County sheriff's offices
  - State Law Enforcement Agencies to include:
    - Arizona Department of Public Safety
    - Arizona Department of Corrections
    - Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections
2. The specific health conditions to be reported are as follows:
- Suspected opioid overdoses;
  - Suspected opioid deaths;
  - Naloxone doses administered in response to either condition;
  - Naloxone doses dispensed; and
  - Neonatal abstinence syndrome.
3. Enhanced reporting requirements from the reporting persons and/or entities outlined in section 1, for the conditions noted in section 2, will begin forty-eight (48) hours from the issuance of this Enhanced Surveillance Advisory and will continue until this Enhanced Surveillance Advisory expires or is terminated.
4. Patient tracking will be implemented by the Arizona Department of Health Services, if necessary.
5. Information sharing will occur between the following partners:
- Law Enforcement to include:
    - Local Law Enforcement Agencies, to include, but not limited to: county jails, county juvenile detention facilities, county sheriff's offices, police departments
    - State Law Enforcement Agencies, to include, but not limited to: Department of Public Safety, Department of Corrections, Department of Juvenile Corrections
  - Pharmacy Board;
  - Health and Medical Boards outlined in section 1;
  - Arizona Department of Health Services;
  - Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System;
  - Licensed Health Care Institutions, including behavioral health institutions;
  - Arizona Criminal Justice Commission;
  - Arizona Department of Economic Services; and

- Health Information Exchange.

If it is determined by the Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services that another entity or organization should be participating in this important information sharing effort, I am granting the Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services the delegated authority to expand upon this list, in accordance with A.R.S. § 36-782(G).

6. Specimen testing for all blood samples from suspected opioid overdose deaths is to be coordinated with and transferred to the Arizona State Public Health Laboratory for toxicological screening.
7. This Executive Order and Enhanced Surveillance Advisory will expire in sixty (60) days, in accordance with A.R.S. § 36-782(G), unless renewed by the Governor.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

*Douglas R. Ducey*  
**GOVERNOR**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June in the Year Two Thousand Seventeen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-first.

**ATTEST:**

*Michele Reagan*

**Secretary of State**

