

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law provides for the licensure of behavioral health services providers by the La. Dept. of Health (LDH). New law retains existing law and adds specific licensure requirements for substance use disorder facilities that treat pregnant women.

New law requires substance use disorder facilities that treat pregnant women to provide onsite access to at least one form of FDA-approved opioid agonist treatment. New law defines onsite access.

New law provides that the substance use disorder facility shall not be in violation of new law if the pregnant woman's health insurance will not cover the cost of treatment.

New law provides that substance use disorder facilities will self-attest their compliance with new law or progress toward compliance in their initial license application or upon license renewal.

New law prohibits enforcement by LDH until January 1, 2023. New law provides that LDH will submit a report to the Senate and House committees on health and welfare on the number of pregnant women receiving medications for opioid use disorder and the number of providers licensed to provide that treatment prior to and after implementation of new law.

Effective January 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 40:2156(B)(4); adds R.S. 40:2159.2)