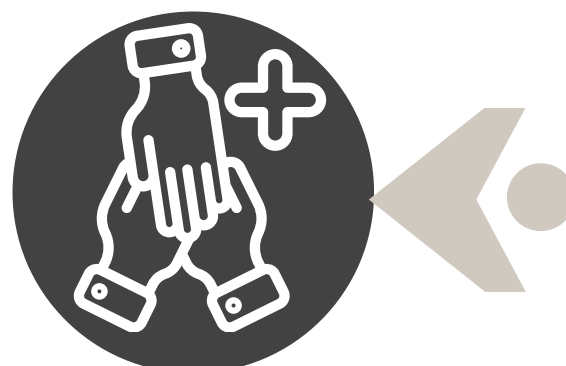
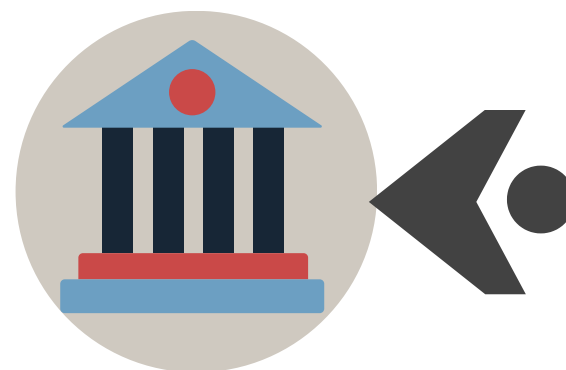


# SB 147

## PHARMACIST PROVIDED PATIENT CARE SERVICES / STANDARD OF CARE



The goal of this bill is to increase access to pharmacist-provided patient care services, allowing healthcare practitioners in Alaska to practice at the top of their education, training, and experience.



### ALIGNMENT WITH THE STANDARD OF CARE

The Alaska Board of Pharmacy already regulates pharmacists under the standard of care, this bill aligns the statute with this model.

### ESTABLISHED FEDERALLY

Expanded pharmacist services have been established federally. MAT Act allows pharmacists to prescribe for opioid use disorder. Nearly 100 years of evidence based practice at federal healthcare settings show improved patient outcomes.

### INTERDISCIPLINARY COLLABORATION

The bill encourages interdisciplinary collaboration & patient referral to higher levels of care as needed.

### INCREASED ACCESS TO TIMELY CARE FOR ALASKANS

Pharmacists are uniquely positioned to help manage chronic diseases and minor ailments, decrease unnecessary emergency department visits, and deliver preventative health outcomes.

### DOCTOR OF PHARMACY EDUCATION

Pharmacists complete a standardized Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree nationwide, accredited by Accreditation Council Pharmacy Education, with 1,740 hours of clinical training.

State Boards of Pharmacy help ensure safe care through participation in accreditation reviews.



Communities trust their pharmacists. With pharmacists permitted to practice at the top of their education, training, and experience, a pharmacist can better triage a patient for referral to more acute care when needed.

Alaskans Strongly Support Expanded Pharmacist Care. A recent national poll, including Alaska-specific data, reveals that Alaskans overwhelmingly support expanded roles for pharmacists in testing, treatment, and prevention of common and chronic conditions at their local community pharmacies.

Alaska's healthcare system in general has limited hospital beds, emergency department space, and other services in general. Utilizing every provider at the top of their education, training, and experience can increase access to timely and appropriate care

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