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Driver Safety Plans and Medication-Assisted Treatment

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Current law requires that a court must order a person convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated to submit to an assessment of the person's use of alcohol, controlled substances, controlled substance analogs, or other drug dependency. The facility that conducts the assessment must develop a driver safety plan for the person, which may include substance abuse treatment.

Current administrative rules promulgated by the Department of Health Services provide that a person's driver safety plan must recommend substance abuse treatment if the assessment includes a finding of suspected dependency, dependency, or dependency in remission.

The act provides that, if substance abuse treatment is recommended for a person, the treatment must include an evaluation of the appropriateness of medication-assisted treatment.

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