

911 Calls Only

2015 – 388 calls

2016 – 396 calls

2017 – 425 calls

2018 YTD – 36 calls

2% increase from 2015 to 2016

7.3% increase from 2016 to 2017

9.5% increase from 2015 to 2017

All Alcohol Related Ambulance transports

2015 – 394 Patients

2016 – 396 Patients

2017 – 428 patients

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.5% increase from 2015 to 2016

8% increase from 2016 to 2017

8.6% increase from 2015 to 2016

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Dear Chairman Lodge and Chairman Luker:

As a health professional, I write today to urge your support of S/H , commonly known as medical amnesty. Medical Amnesty has been shown to save lives. Medical Amnesty was passed as House Bill 531 during the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-Third Idaho Legislature. The Legislature, hoping to avoid unforeseen consequences attached a three-year sunset clause to the law, which will expire on June 30, 2019.

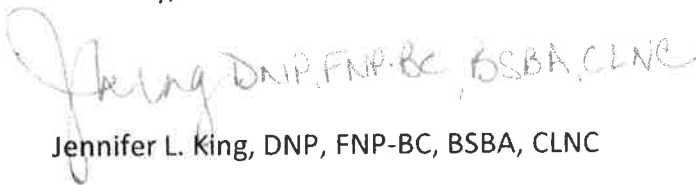
Medical Amnesty is important to reduce the irreversible harm caused by underage drinking. Under this law, intoxicated minors can seek medical assistance for themselves or others and cannot be charged with a minor in possession (MIP) or a minor in consumption (MIC) offenses, provided they cooperate with law enforcement. Prior to this law being in place, minors would be fearful of seeking medical attention for fear of retribution.

My support of does not condone underage drinking, only supports the passing of medical amnesty.

As a health care provider and adjunct faculty member at two separate universities, I see the importance of passing medical amnesty and implore the Legislature to pass S/H and permanently authorize medical amnesty in Idaho and feel it helps protect our future.

Please feel free to contact me for any future information or assistance.

Sincerely,



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Medical Amnesty, or limited-use immunity, is incredibly important to reduce the harm caused by underage drinking. Under this law, intoxicated minors who are seeking medical assistance for themselves or a friend cannot be charged with a minor in possession (MIP) or a minor in consumption (MIC) offenses, provided they cooperate with law enforcement. This exemption removes any barriers to seeking medical assistance when lives are at stake. This helps to protect and encourage minors to seek help before the situation is irreversible. Prior to this law being put in place, students would refuse to call for help because they feared legal retribution. Medical Amnesty removes that fear and allows them to help themselves and others in need.

My support of a medical amnesty policy does not condone underage drinking. In fact, universities across the state have dedicated substantial resources to preventing underage alcohol consumption through education and awareness campaigns. However, should students make mistakes, there will be no hesitation when seeking medical assistance.

As a health care professional, I have dedicated my life to the protection of children and I implore the Legislature to pass S/H and permanently authorize medical amnesty in Idaho and feel it helps protect our future. Please feel free to contact me for any future information or assistance.

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