

# NONOPIOID DIRECTIVE

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services  
Required by MCL 333.9145 effective 3/28/2019

## MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE PATIENT'S MEDICAL RECORD

Patient Name	Date of Birth
Other names used by patient	Preferred language of patient
Emergency Contact	Name of primary care provider
Drug allergies	

**The patient above must not be administered an opioid or offered a prescription for an opioid while this directive is in effect.**

- An individual who has executed a nonopioid directive on their own behalf may revoke the directive at any time and in any way they are able to communicate their intent to revoke the form.
- A guardian or patient's advocate can revoke at any time by issuing a revocation in writing and providing notice of the revocation to the individual's health professional or their delegate.
- This directive does not apply to:
  - A patient receiving opioids for substance use disorder treatment;
  - A patient who is in hospice;
  - A patient is being treated at a hospital, or in a setting outside of a hospital in the case of an emergency, and, in the prescriber's professional opinion, the administration of the opioid is medically necessary to treat the individual.

Signature of patient, or if the patient is a minor, parent	Date
Printed name of Patient	Date
Signature of guardian or patient's advocate, if applicable	Date
Printed name of parent/guardian/patient's advocate, if applicable	Date

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## Nonopioid directive form helps fight opioid epidemic by allowing patients to notify health professionals they don't want opioids

Patients can fill out a state form that directs health professionals and emergency medical services personnel to not administer opioids to them.

The nonopioid directive form is available to the public in response to a state law. The nonopioid directive is part of the State of Michigan's multifaceted plan to address the opioid epidemic.

The goal is to help ensure that nonopioid options for pain management are considered during medical treatment in the state. The nonopioid form is a supportive tool for patients to notify their health professionals that they are seeking alternatives for pain treatment. State officials call this "critically important" for those at risk for misusing opioids, including Michiganders with histories of opioid disorder.

A [link to the directive form is located](#) under "Additional Resources" at the bottom of the "Find Help Page" on Michigan's Opioid Addiction Resources website, [michigan.gov/opioids](https://michigan.gov/opioids).

The nonopioid directive can be filled out by the patient or a person's legal guardian or patient advocate. Once submitted, the directive must be included in the patient's medical records. There are exceptions in the law, such as a provision that a prescriber or a nurse under the order of a prescriber may administer an opioid if it is deemed medically necessary for treatment.

Public Act 554 of 2018 amended the Public Health Code to provide for the form, and required the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to make it available publicly.