

# Draft Uniform Standard #8

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### **SB 1441 REQUIREMENT**

(8) Procedures to be followed when a licensee tests positive for a banned substance.

#### **DRAFT UNIFORM STANDARD #8**

Absent any other authority or existing policy, the following shall be considered in determining the appropriate response to a licensee that tests positive for a banned substance:

- license type,
- licensee's history,
- test results including the substance and cutoff level,
- licensee's treatment history,
- risk to the public.

Based on the evaluation of the above factors, the below actions should be followed:

- Communication with the board probation coordinator and or rehabilitation program as relevant.
- Confrontation of the licensee.
- Communication with the employer and worksite monitor, if applicable.
- Communication with any treatment provider including support group facilitator.
- Consultation with a Medical Review Officer to interpret results if necessary.

Based on information gathered, the following responses to a positive test for a banned substance should be considered.

- Pursue administrative options include revocation and/or suspension
- Required participation in Inpatient and/or outpatient treatment
- Increased frequency of testing
- Practice restrictions e.g. increased level of supervised practice, limit the scope of duties.