



National Association of State  
Controlled Substances Authorities

**NASCSA Resolution 2014-07**  
**October, 2014**  
**Savannah, GA**

**A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING MEDICAL FACILITIES TO PROVIDE TRAINING  
TO ALL HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS WHO HAVE ACCESS AND/OR  
EXPOSURE TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of The National Association of State Controlled Substance Authorities (NASCSA) is to provide a continuing mechanism through which states, federal agencies and others can work to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of state and national efforts to prevent drug abuse and drug diversion; and

**WHEREAS**, the misuse and abuse of prescription drugs by healthcare professionals across the United States is a serious public health and safety concern; and

**WHEREAS**, there are thousands of medical facilities such as hospitals, surgery centers, clinics, long term care facilities and hospice agencies that administer and dispense controlled substances to patients; and

**WHEREAS**, diversion of controlled substances from medical facilities by healthcare professionals poses a significant threat to public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, medical facilities often fail to provide adequate controlled substance training to healthcare professionals on their responsibilities, including but not limited to properly witnessing and wasting, recognizing indicators of drug diversion and consequences of drug diversion;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that NASCSA hereby strongly supports and encourages medical facilities to provide formal controlled substance drug diversion training to all healthcare professionals with access to controlled substances.

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ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
President

Date: October 24, 2014