

“Capital” Backup

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<p>Some call our state the heroin capital of the country. The truth is opioids and crime are problems all across New Mexico. But we can do something about it.</p>	
<p>I'm Michelle Lujan Grisham, and when I was Secretary of Health, we lowered overdoses through better treatment.</p>	<p>Lujan Grisham Said Progress Had Been Made In Overdose Deaths Because “Treatment Providers, Consumers And Others On The Front Lines Of The Drug War Are Now Working Together.” The Albuquerque Journal reported, “While Health Secretary Michelle Lujan Grisham acknowledges that the state still doesn't have sufficient data to determine whether Rio Arriba County's drug treatment programs are effective, she said progress has nevertheless been made. The most visible sign, said Lujan Grisham, is the fact that treatment providers, consumers and others on the front lines of the drug war are now working together. That's a far cry from two years ago when they couldn't even stand to be in the same room, the secretary said during an interview Wednesday following a gubernatorial town hall meeting in Espanola. [...] Despite the complaints, Lujan Grisham said treatment programs are providing services to more addicts. The secretary said that more money has been poured into prevention and into school programs, and that overdose deaths across the state are down. And she said data are being compiled that, in the near future, will enable the state to determine how successful treatment programs are, tracking things such as relapses.” [Albuquerque Journal, 4/16/06]</p> <p>The New Mexico Department Of Health Announced New Mexico Reduced Drug Overdose Death Rates By 8% Between 2005 And 2006. According to the Deming Headlight, “The New Mexico Department of Health announced today that New Mexico is making strides in reducing the rate of people dying from unintentional illicit drug overdoses, a rate that decreased 8 percent from 2005 to 2006. [Deming Headlight, 6/21/07]</p> <p>The Department Of Health Expanded Project ECHO To Combat A Rise In Prescription Drug Deaths. According to the Deming Headlight, “To combat a rise in prescription drug deaths, the University of New Mexico and Department of Health have expanded Project ECHO, which uses a telemedicine model to teach rural primary- care providers how to treat</p>

	<p>complex, common diseases. The program started with treatment of hepatitis and expanded this year to increase access to substance abuse treatment by training more than 80 providers in the state how to treat opiate addictions with buprenorphine.” [Deming Headlight, 6/21/07]</p> <p>The New Mexico Department Of Health Educated People On A New Good Samaritan Law Allowing Immunity For Those Calling 911 Seeking Help For A Person During An Overdose. According to the Deming Headlight, “The New Mexico Department of Health is urging people not to be afraid to seek medical help for an overdose. People who possess illegal drugs will be immune from prosecution for drug possession when they call 911 to seek help for a friend during an overdose. New Mexico is the first state in the nation to implement the 911 Good Samaritan Law, which went into effect Friday. The Department of Health is educating family and friends of drug users about the change in the Controlled Substance Act, which will encourage people to seek medical assistance and help reduce the high rate of overdose deaths in New Mexico.” [Deming Headlight, 6/19/07]</p>
<p>In Congress, I got New Mexico millions of dollars for Police Training.</p>	<p>Michelle Lujan Grisham Secured millions for Police Training. According to the Albuquerque Journal, “Michelle Lujan Grisham said the spending bill contains \$2 million she sought for the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Program. The Albuquerque Police Department recently received a grant under the program to pay for crisis intervention training.” [Albuquerque Journal 12/18/2015]</p> <p>Lujan Grisham “Successfully Added” An Amendment To The Omnibus Appropriations Bill To Increase “Funding For The Hiring Of State And Local Police Officers In High-Crime Communities.” According to a press release from the Office of Rep. Lujan Grisham, “Congresswoman Michelle Lujan Grisham successfully added four amendments to the omnibus appropriations bill, including increased funding for the hiring of state and local police officers in high-crime communities like Albuquerque. The House passed the appropriations bill today, which now heads to the Senate for consideration. The legislation includes an amendment from Rep. Lujan Grisham that increases funding by \$5 million under the Byrne JAG Program. This is the same program highlighted recently by U.S Attorney General Jeff Sessions, who threatened to withhold funding to high-crime cities, including Albuquerque, which he characterizes as sanctuary cities.” [Office of Rep. Lujan Grisham, Press Release, 9/21/17]</p> <p>Lujan Grisham Sponsored The Heroin And Opioid Abuse Prevention And Treatment Act Of 2017 Which Would “Impose An Excise Tax On Opioid Manufacturers, Set At 1 Cent Per Milligram For Active Opioids.” According to Inside CMS, “The "Heroin and Opioid Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 2017," introduced in July by Rep. Michelle Lujan Grisham</p>

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<p>And as governor, I’ll force the drug companies to stop pushing opioids and start paying for treatment.</p>	<p>Lujan Grisham Sponsored The Heroin And Opioid Abuse Prevention And Treatment Act Of 2017 Which Would “Impose An Excise Tax On Opioid Manufacturers, Set At 1 Cent Per Milligram For Active Opioids.” According to Inside CMS, “The "Heroin and Opioid Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 2017," introduced in July by Rep. Michelle Lujan Grisham (D-NM), would impose an excise tax on opioid manufacturers, set at 1 cent per milligram for active opioids produced.” [Inside CMS, 8/24/17]</p> <p>Lujan Grisham Sponsored A Bill “To Allow Certain Pharmacists To Dispense Narcotic Drugs For Maintenance Or Detoxification Treatment Pursuant To The Same Waiver Provisions As...Nurse Practitioners” And PAs. According to a press release from the Office of Rep. Lujan Grisham, “Rep. Michelle Lujan Grisham, D-N.M., has introduced legislation (H.R. 3991) to amend section 303(g)(2) of the Controlled Substances Act "to allow certain pharmacists to dispense narcotic drugs for maintenance or detoxification treatment pursuant to the same waiver provisions as apply with respect to nurse practitioners and physician assistants." The bill was introduced on Oct. 6. It was jointly referred to the House Energy and Commerce and Judiciary committees.” [Office of Rep. Lujan Grisham, Press Release, 10/11/17]</p> <p>Lujan Grisham Releases Plan to Fight Opioid Epidemic in New Mexico Today, Congresswoman and gubernatorial candidate Michelle Lujan Grisham released her plan to tackle the opioid epidemic in New Mexico.</p> <p>“Fighting the opioid epidemic will be one of my first priorities as governor. Opioid addiction is ruining lives and communities across New Mexico. It destroys families, contributes to child neglect and abuse, increases crime, and hurts our economy,” said Rep. Lujan Grisham. “My plan offers a comprehensive strategy that invests in prevention, and treatment, increases access to drugs that can counteract overdoses and save lives, and holds accountable those who overprescribe these drugs and get people hooked.</p> <p>“While we fight to end this scourge, we must do everything to prevent its spread. We need to identify kids who are most at-risk for substance abuse, provide needed treatment and ensure that these kids and their families are receiving the support they need.” [Campaign Press Release, 6/28/2018]</p>

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