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OPIOID OVERDOSE PREVENTION

The Board of Education recognizes that many factors, including the use and misuse of prescription painkillers, can lead to the dependence on and addiction to opiates, and that such dependence and addiction can lead to overdose and death among the general public, including district students and staff. The Board wishes to minimize these deaths by the use of opioid overdose prevention measures.

The Board directs the school physician/medical director to issue a non-patient specific order to school nurses to administer intranasal naloxone (also known as Narcan, among other names). The non-patient specific order shall include a written protocol containing the elements required by the regulations of the Commissioner of Education. The Board permits school nurses to administer naloxone to any person at school or a school event displaying symptoms of an opioid overdose. The district shall purchase and provide the naloxone kits to be stored in the nurse's office. Naloxone shall be accessible during school hours and during on-site school-sponsored activities.

Ref: Education Law §§922 (volunteer naloxone responder); 6527 (emergency treatment of anaphylaxis and opioid overdose); 3023 (liability coverage); 6909 (administration of naloxone by nurses)
Public Health Law §3309 (volunteer naloxone responder)
8 NYCRR §§ 64.7 (administration of naloxone); Part 136 (school health services program, including naloxone)
10 NYCRR §80.138 (volunteer naloxone responder)
Guidance for Implementing Opioid Overdose Prevention Measures in Schools, New York State Education Department, 8/11/15, www.schoolhealthservicesny.com/files/filesystem/guidance_on_opioid_overdose_prevention_in_the_schools_final.pdf
Opioid Overdose Prevention: Guidelines for Policies and Procedures, New York State Department of Health, March 2014, www.health.ny.gov/diseases/aids/general/opioid_overdose_prevention/docs/policies_and_procedures.pdf

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OPIOID OVERDOSE PREVENTION REGULATION

The school physician shall develop procedures for the placement, storage, inventory, re-ordering, administration documentation, reporting, and training of the school nurse, regarding the use of naloxone.

The district shall ensure that there is always one backup naloxone kit for each kit that is ready to be used one backup naloxone kit for the district. When a naloxone kit is used, another backup kit will be ordered. Naloxone that is nearing its expiration date will be replaced. The school nurse shall maintain a log of naloxone supplies containing the following information: lot number, date of receipt, expiration date, and location. The school nurse shall perform an inventory check of naloxone supplies on a monthly basis.

School nurses shall follow the non-patient specific order and written protocol for administration of naloxone, which includes criteria for assessment and directions for administration. School nurses shall review the order and protocol as needed to maintain an appropriate skill level.

School nurses shall document all administration of naloxone in the same manner as the administration of other medications under non-patient specific orders. School nurses shall report all administration of naloxone to the school physician/medical director, Building Principal and Superintendent.

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