Students

Opioid Related Overdose Reversal

The Board recognizes that the opioid epidemic is a public health crisis and access to opioid-related overdose reversal medication can be lifesaving. To assist a person at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose, the district will make a good faith effort to obtain opioid overdose reversal medication from a donation source, and to maintain at least one set of the medication doses in each of its high schools. If the district demonstrates a good faith effort but is unable to obtain opioid overdose reversal medication through a donation source, the district is not required to maintain the medication at its high schools.

Opioid overdose reversal medication must be maintained and administered in a manner consistent with a standing order issued in accordance with RCW 69.41.095(5).

The following personnel may distribute or administer the school-owned opioid overdose reversal medication to respond to symptoms of an opioid-related overdose pursuant to a prescription or standing order issued in accordance with RCW 69.41.095:

- A school nurse, or
- Designated trained school personnel

Training for school personnel who have been designated to distribute or administer opioid overdose reversal medication must meet the requirements for training described in RCW 28A.210.395 and any rules or guidelines adopted by the Office of Superintendent Public Instruction (OSPI). If a district high school does not have a full-time school nurse, the district will designate and train at least one member of the high school's personnel to distribute and administer opioid overdose reversal medication.

If any type of overdose is suspected, including an opioid related overdose, district staff will call 9-1-1 and alert a first responder. The school nurse or designated school personnel will follow the Washington Department of Health steps for administering naloxone for a suspected opioid related overdose.

Cross References:	Policy No. 3418 Policy No. 3416	Response to Student Injury or Illness Medication at School
Legal References:	Chapter 28A.210 RCW RCW 28A.210.390	Health Screening and Requirements Opioid overdose reversal medication – Standing order – Administration
	RCW 28A.210.395	Opioid overdose reversal medication – Policy guidelines and treatment requirements – Grant program
	RCW 69.41.095	Opioid overdose reversal medication – Standing order permitted
	RCW 69.50.315	Drug-related overdose

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