HEALTH SERVICES: STANDARD OF CARE

TITLE: Management of Narcan (Naloxone) Administration in

the School Setting

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines and procedures governing the utilization of the opioid antagonist naloxone administered by staff members. Naloxone is a rapid reversal agent and can reverse the effects of opioid overdose. Staff members trained in accordance with Lake Wales Charter Schools Health Services Department shall make every reasonable effort, including the use of Naloxone combined with rescue breaths/CPR to revive the victim of any apparent drug overdose.

POLICY:

It is the policy of Lake Wales Charter Schools that each school facility shall provide and maintain on-site opioid antagonists. To treat a case of suspected opioid overdose in a school setting, any trained staff member may administer an opioid antagonist, during an emergency, to any student or staff suspected of having an opioid-related drug overdose. When Naloxone is administered a 911 call is required as there may be a need for more advanced life-saving measures or additional doses of the opioid antagonist to reverse the effects of the opioid overdose.

TRAINING:

It is the responsibility of the Health Services Director to implement the use of Naloxone (Narcan) for the School District in compliance with SB 544: Drug-related Overdose Prevention. School nurses shall be trained in the use of Naloxone (Narcan) by the Health Services Director, or a designee. Schools are encouraged to send additional staff to be trained, including coaches, teachers, and administrators on the proper use of Naloxone (Narcan). Each school clinic will keep a current list of staff who have completed the Naloxone training. Annual training and recertification will be required.

PROCUREMENT OF NALOXONE:

The Superintendent, Principal, Health Services Director, or designee will be responsible for the procurement of Naloxone. Lake Wales Charter Schools will work in consultation and follow standing orders extended from a designated physician or physician group. The Health Services Director will verify standing orders annually for updates.

STORAGE:

Naloxone will be clearly marked and stored in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions. Naloxone will be stored with the AED located in or nearest to the school clinic. The school nurse will ensure that all other trained staff are aware of the Naloxone storage location. Inspection of the Naloxone shall be conducted daily along with the AED, including checking the expiration date found on the medication.

USE OF NALOXONE:

In case of a suspected opioid overdose, the school nurse or other trained staff shall follow the protocols outlined in the naloxone training:

- Call 911
- Administer rescue breathing
- Prepare and administer naloxone (the AED should be readily available at the time of naloxone administration)
- Alert the school crisis response team
- Continue rescue breathing
- Give another dose of naloxone in 3 minutes if no response or minimal breathing or responsiveness
- Naloxone wears off in 30-90 minutes, which necessitates definitive medical care
- Comfort them; withdrawal can be unpleasant
- Encourage survivors to seek treatment

FOLLOW-UP:

After the administration of naloxone, the school nurse, or other staff, will follow the Lake Wales Charter School District reporting protocols.

The school nurse or other staff will:

- Ensure that the overdose victim was transported to the emergency department
- Notify appropriate student services including the Health Services Director
- Provide substance abuse prevention resources to the overdose victim and family, as appropriate

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: F.S. 1001.43, SB 544

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