Standing Order for the Community Dispensing of Naloxone

Dartmouth Hitchcock Memorial Hospital (Emergency Medicine)

Naloxone is indicated for the reversal of opioid overdose induced by natural or synthetic opioids in the setting of respiratory depression or unresponsiveness. It should not be given to anyone known to be hypersensitive to naloxone hydrochloride.

1. Intranasal naloxone kits must contain the following:
   - 2 x 2ml Leur-Lock needleless syringe prefilled with naloxone I-ICI 1 mg/ml;
   - 1 x intranasal Mucosal Atomizing Device;
   - 1 pair rubber gloves

2. Narcan Nasal Spray Kit must include the following:
   One NARCAN carton containing two blister packages each with a single NARCAN Nasal Spray (single 4 mg dose of naloxone HCL intranasal spray).

Naloxone must be delivered intra-nasally. Step-by-step instructions for administration of intranasal naloxone must be given to every person receiving a kit. Dispenser Actions:

- Provide opioid overdose prevention and education covering, at a minimum:
  1. Recognition of an opioid overdose
  2. Calling 911
  3. Rescue Breathing
  4. Administration of naloxone HCL; and
  5. Orientation to and explanation of the contents of the kit

This standing order authorizes any person with the appropriate medical credentials as approved by the Division of Public Health Services and upon completion of the NH state EMS Naloxone Training Program or equivalent, to dispense one (1) naloxone kit to any person who is:

- Either a person at risk of experiencing an opiate-related overdose; OR
- A family member, friend, or other person in a position to assist a person at risk of experiencing such an overdose; AND
- Who has been provided opioid overdose prevention education as described above.

In accordance with NH RSA 318-B:15, IV, New Hampshire law allows an organization to dispense or distribute naloxone pursuant to a prescription or standing order, when acting in good faith and with reasonable care, and in accordance with specific procedures, training and safeguards, as outlined in this Standing Order and in the Naloxone Distribution Information for Regional Public Health Network Partners.
The Department of Health and Human Services' Mission is to join communities and families in providing opportunities for citizens to achieve health and independence.