

EMS DISTRIBUTION OF NALOXONE KITS

Purpose

- To oversee the “leave behind” Narcan program which allows emergency medical responders to distribute “leave behind” naloxone (Narcan) kits at the scene of an overdose or perceived overdose

Policy

- A. EMS provider logistics staff will receive naloxone kits intended for laypersons use, as they are available from external suppliers
- B. Naloxone kits will be distributed to EMS providers in a manner similar to current supply chain procedures
- C. EMS providers will distribute “leave behind” Narcan kits at the scene of an overdose, or upon their discretion, will give a naloxone kit to any person encountered on an EMS call that is at risk of experiencing an opiate overdose (e.g. a current opiate overdose patient who refuses transport) or any person in position to assist a person at risk of opiate overdose
- D. Shall not give naloxone to patients or bystanders from the regular EMS patient care supply
- E. Resupply provider’s naloxone kits, as stock is available, via usual supply chain procedures. It may be the case that no resupply is available; layperson naloxone kits are not a required in-service medication