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