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Statewide Standing Order for Stock Emergency Medications in K-12 Schools

Purpose: To provide Indiana K-12 schools access to life saving emergency medications as described in IC 20-34-4.5-0.2. Emergency medications covered by this standing order include naloxone, a medication indicated for reversal of opioid related overdose; epinephrine, a medication used to treat life threatening allergies; and albuterol, a medication used to provide quick relief from acute asthma symptoms. This statewide standing order is intended to ensure naloxone, epinephrine and albuterol are readily available to any K-12 school(s) that comply with training requirements to provide the medications and provide the standing order to a pharmacy to be filled.

Eligible Providers: Pharmacists licensed pursuant to IC 25-26-13.

Eligible Recipients: Schools as defined in IC 20-34-4.5-0.6 or school corporations.

Emergency medications:

1. Overdose intervention drugs such as naloxone, an opioid antagonist approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the reversal of an opioid overdose.
2. Epinephrine, a medication to treat life threatening allergies.
3. Albuterol, a medication to provide quick relief from acute asthma like symptoms.

Procedure: An eligible provider may dispense emergency medications to eligible recipients for storage at a school in accordance with IC 20-34-4.5.

Overdose intervention drugs

Dispense two boxes (two doses per box) nasal naloxone rescue kits of 4 mg/0.1ml per dose (for a total of 4 doses) per school building within the school/school corporation.

Auto injectable epinephrine must have an expiration date at least 12 months from the date the pharmacy dispenses the medication.

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Dispense up to 2 boxes of 2 doses of each of the following per school building within the school/school corporation.

- 0.15 mg for children weighing between 15-30 kg (66 lbs.)
- 0.30 mg for individuals weighing more than 30 kg (66 lbs.)

Albuterol

Dispense one albuterol MDI per school building within the school/school corporation.

Dispense up to 25 disposable spacers with each MDI.

Dispense up to 25 disposable face masks with each MDI.

Administration of emergency medication; school employees, training: School employees may be trained by the registered nurse working in the school or other healthcare provider who is licensed or certified in Indiana, for whom the administration of emergency medication is within the healthcare provider's scope of practice, who has received training in the administration of emergency medication, and who is knowledgeable in recognizing the symptoms of a life-threatening emergency and the administration of emergency medication per IC 20-34-4.5-2 See Protocols and Training for Stock Emergency Medications in K-12 Schools for specific information and training resources.

Geographic Region: This standing order is applicable statewide.

Standing Orders Authorization: This standing order is being issued pursuant to IC 20-34-4.5-3.

This standing order shall be reviewed annually by the state department of health and revised as needed. This standing order is effective October 1 through December 31, 2023.

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