

EMERGENCY MEDICATIONS GUIDELINES

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines and procedures governing the utilizations of epinephrine and opioid antagonists (narcain/naloxone) administered by staff of the Berlin School District.

POLICY

All School personnel have responsibilities in connection with injuries and emergencies occurring in school and at school-sponsored events, which may be classified as follows: (1) administering first aid; (2) summoning medical assistance; (3) notifying administration; (4) notifying parents; and (5) filing accident/injury reports.

School personnel must use reasonable judgment in handling injuries and emergencies. Caution should be exercised not to minimize or maximize any injury or illness. All personnel will understand the proper steps to be taken in the event of an injury or emergency.

School nurses may administer epinephrine to any student in case of a medical emergency, if appropriate. Specially trained staff members may administer epinephrine in accordance to students' written care plan. School nurses and specially trained staff members may administer opioid antagonists to any student in case of a medical emergency, if appropriate. This authorization extends to administering epinephrine or opioid antagonists without prior notification to parents/guardians. Opioid antagonists will be available during the regular scheduled school day. It may be available at other times at the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools.

Pursuant to **NH RSA 318-B:15**, House Bill 271 "No health care professional who, acting in good faith and with reasonable care, prescribes, dispenses, or distributes an opioid antagonist directly or by standing order and no person who, acting in good faith and with reasonable care, stores, dispenses, or distributes an opioid antagonist or administers an opioid antagonist to another person who the person believes is suffering an opioid-related drug overdose shall be subject to any criminal or civil liability, or any professional disciplinary action, for any action authorized by this paragraph or any outcome resulting from an action authorized by this paragraph."

STORAGE

Opioid antagonists will be clearly marked and stored in a secure location at the discretion of the school nurse and the building principal.

FOLLOW-UP

After administration of opioid antagonists (narcain/naloxone), the school nurse will follow the Berlin School District reporting protocols. The individual will be transported to the

hospital emergency room by ambulance and emergency medical services. Parents/guardians will be notified and the student will be referred to the school behavioral health intervention team.

NH laws and resources:

[House Bill 270 - Good Samaritan Law](#)

[House Bill 271 - Friends & Family Access to Naloxone](#)

[NHSNA Position Statement](#)

[Anyone, Anytime DrugfreeNH](#)

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