

Best Practices in Training for Naloxone Hydrochloride

A Ventura Unified School District (VUSD) nurse or trained personnel may administer naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist to a person exhibiting potentially life-threatening symptoms of an opioid overdose at school. Each public and private elementary and secondary school may designate one or more volunteers to receive initial and annual refresher training, regarding the storage and emergency use of naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist. A benefit shall not be granted to or withheld from any individual based on his or her offer to volunteer and there shall be no retaliation against any individual for rescinding his or her offer to volunteer, even if individual has received previous training to administer treatment. Any school district, county office of education, or charter school shall provide the training for the volunteers at no cost to the volunteer and during the volunteer's regular working hours. Training and supervision shall be done by a VUSD nurse, public health nurse, physician or surgeon. The VUSD nurse or administrator will ensure that training will be in alignment with current guidelines and medication recommendations.

Volunteer personnel may administer naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist by nasal spray or by auto-injector.

The training shall include the following information:

- Techniques for recognizing symptoms of opioid overdose.
- Standards and procedures for use of storage, restocking, and emergency use of naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist.
- Basic emergency follow-up procedures, including but not limited to, calling emergency 911, a VUSD nurse and contacting the pupil's parent or guardian.
- Recommendation for instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- Written training materials, training logs and documentation.

All training will be consistent with the most recent guidelines for medication administration issued by the Department of Education. The volunteer Defense and Indemnification

Acknowledgement shall be provided to the volunteer personnel in writing and retained in the volunteer's personnel file by the employee's local educational agency (LEA), which would be the school district, county office of education, or charter school.