

Policies

Westerly Public Schools Naloxone Administration

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to authorize the development of guidelines and procedures governing the utilizations of Naloxone administered by members of the Westerly Public Schools.

POLICY

It is the policy of the Westerly Public Schools to provide and maintain on-site at each school opioid antagonists (Naloxone/Narcan). To treat a case of suspected opioid overdose in a school setting, any nurse may administer an opioid antagonist, during an emergency, to anyone suspected of having an opioid-related drug overdose whether or not there is a previous history of opioid abuse.

No school nurse or other personnel shall be liable for civil damages which may result from acts of omissions relating to the use of the opioid antagonist which may constitute ordinary negligence; nor shall any school personnel be subject to criminal prosecution which may result from acts or omissions in the good faith administration of an opioid antagonist. This immunity does not apply to acts or omissions constituting gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

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