

POLICY TITLE: ADMINISTRATION OF NALOXONE OR OTHER OVERDOSE-REVERSING MEDICATION		
ADOPTION/EFFECTIVE DATE:	MOST RECENTLY AMENDED:	MOST RECENTLY REAFFIRMED:
POLICY/PROCEDURE MANUAL SUMMARY CATEGORY:		

I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish the authority of school personnel to administer Naloxone or other Overdose-Reversing Medication to persons experiencing an opioid overdose.

II. Definitions

- A. **Naloxone** means the Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”) approved medication which reverses an opioid overdose.
- B. **Overdose-Reversing Medication** means a substance approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”) which reverses an opioid overdose.
- C. **Opioid** overdose means a drug, whether legal or illegal, that acts on the body’s opioid receptors to reduce pain. Examples of such drugs include heroin, fentanyl, oxycodone, hydrocodone, codeine and morphine.
- D. **Opioid Overdose** means an excessive, dangerous, or life-threatening ingestion of an opioid.

III. Statement of Policy

- A. School nurses, school health personnel and other school personnel are authorized to administer Naloxone or any other Overdose-Reversing Medication to a student or other person located on school property who is reasonably believed to be experiencing an opioid overdose.
- B. Naloxone or other Overdose-Reversing Medication shall be stored and available at each Harford County Public School, to be used in an emergency situation.
- C. The Superintendent shall ensure that each Harford County public school notifies parents or guardians of students of the provisions of this policy.
- D. The Superintendent shall issue such procedures as she/he deems necessary to implement this policy.

Board Approval Acknowledged By:

Barbara P. Canavan, Superintendent
Board of Education of Harford County

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LEGAL REFERENCES¹

All references are set forth in the Policy.

¹ All references are to specific federal or Maryland statutes or regulations. References are provided for convenience and informational purposes only and are not to be considered as exhaustive or as precluding Harford County Public Schools from relying upon any other statutes or regulations in support of a policy.