



Naloxone Administration in Outpatient Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Clinics

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Introduction

This document is intended to provide guidance on Wisconsin outpatient mental health and substance use disorder clinic standards that impact Narcan (naloxone) administration. The information in this document is based on current regulations/standards as of April 2018.

Many licensed healthcare professionals are authorized by their license to administer medications, including naloxone. In addition, some licensed professionals can delegate medication administration to unlicensed personnel.

Traditionally, many outpatient mental health and substance use disorder clinics may not be administering medications. However, many of these clinics may work with clients that may experience an overdose where naloxone can be lifesaving. Therefore, clinics may wish to store and administer naloxone in emergencies.

Resources

Training and policies for opiate overdose and naloxone use: www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/opioids/index.htm

Dispensing naloxone: www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/opioids/providers.htm

Regulation	Can naloxone, not dispensed to a patient, be stored and administered?	Who can administer?	Pertinent Regulations	Recommended Training	Recommended Policies
DHS 34 Emergency Mental Health Services Programs	Yes	Any person defined by the entity	Wis. Stat. § 450.11(1i) Opioid antagonists Executive Order 228	See DHS "Opioids" webpage 1. How to recognize and support someone during an overdose 2. Administering naloxone 3. Call 911	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Standing Order by MD• Naloxone Administration Training• Emergency Response• Documentation
DHS 35 Outpatient Mental Health Clinics	Yes	Any person defined by the clinic	Wis. Stat. § 450.11(1i) Opioid antagonists Executive Order 228	See DHS "Opioids" webpage 1. How to recognize and support someone during an overdose 2. Administering naloxone 3. Call 911	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Standing Order by MD• Naloxone Administration Training• Emergency Response• Documentation
DHS 36 Comprehensive Community Services (CSS) for Persons with Mental Disorders and Substance-Use Disorders	Yes	Any person defined by the entity	Wis. Stat. § 450.11(1i) Opioid antagonists Executive Order 228	See DHS "Opioids" webpage 1. How to recognize and support someone during an overdose 2. Administering naloxone 3. Call 911	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Standing Order by MD• Naloxone Administration Training• Emergency Response• Documentation

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DHS 40 Mental Health Day Treatment Services for Children	Yes	Any person defined by the entity	Wis. Stat. § 450.11(1i) Opioid antagonists Executive Order 228	See DHS “Opioids” webpage 1. How to recognize and support someone during an overdose 2. Administering naloxone 3. Call 911	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Order by MD • Naloxone Administration Training • Emergency Response • Documentation
DHS 61.75 Community Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities – Day Treatment Program	Yes	Any person defined by the entity	Wis. Stat. § 450.11(1i) Opioid antagonists Executive Order 228	See DHS “Opioids” webpage 1. How to recognize and support someone during an overdose 2. Administering naloxone 3. Call 911	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Order by MD • Naloxone Administration Training • Emergency Response • Documentation
DHS 63 Community Support Programs (CSP) for Chronically Mentally Ill Persons	Yes A waiver is needed if staff other than a registered nurse would give injectable naloxone. To obtain a waiver, see § DHS 63.05 .	Any person defined by the entity A waiver is needed for injectable version for staff who are not registered nurses.	Wis. Stat. § 450.11(1i) Opioid antagonists Executive Order 228	See DHS “Opioids” webpage 1. How to recognize and support someone during an overdose 2. Administering naloxone 3. Call 911	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Order by MD • Naloxone Administration Training • Emergency Response • Documentation
DHS 75 Community Substance Abuse Service Standards	Yes	Any person defined by the entity	Wis. Stat. § 450.11(1i) Opioid antagonists Executive Order 228	See DHS “Opioids” webpage 1. How to recognize and support someone during an overdose 2. Administering naloxone 3. Call 911	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Order by MD • Naloxone Administration Training • Emergency Response • Documentation
DHS 83 Community-Based Residential Facilities (CBRF)	Yes	See DQA publication P-02091, CBRF Naloxone Administration	Wis. Stat. § 450.11(1i) Opioid antagonists Executive Order 228	See DHS “Opioids” webpage 1. How to recognize and support someone during an overdose 2. Administering naloxone 3. Call 911 4. DHS 83 required medication administration training See DQA publication P-02091, CBRF Naloxone Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Order by MD • Naloxone Administration Training • Emergency Response • Documentation