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### RUSD Naloxone/Narcan Policy

It is the intent of Racine Unified School District to prevent opioid-related deaths on school premises. Naloxone, commonly known as Narcan, is a medication that can reverse an overdose that is caused by an opioid drug. When administered during an overdose, naloxone blocks the effects of opioids on the brain and respiratory system in order to prevent death. Naloxone has no potential for abuse and is non-narcotic and non-addicting. Naloxone is a safe medication that has no effect on someone who does not have opioids in their system.

It is the policy of Racine Unified School District that all schools stock naloxone as an opioid antagonist to treat cases of suspected opioid overdose in a school setting. Any school personnel trained in accordance with Racine Unified School District policy and Wisconsin law and regulations may administer naloxone to any person suspected of experiencing an opioid-related overdose.

#### **Authority**

The Racine Unified School District is responsible for compliance with the requirements of Wisconsin Statutes Section 118.29(2)(a)2g, and must ensure that staff, both District employees and contracted employees, as outlined in this statute, are appropriately trained to provide opioid antagonists in the case of a potential opioid overdose. Further, Good Samaritan Laws in Wisconsin; 2013 Wisconsin Acts 194 and 200 enacted the following: A person who in good faith administers an opioid antagonist to another, whom the person reasonably believes to be undergoing an opioid related drug overdose, is immune from civil or criminal liability.

#### **Training, Procurement, and Permission for Use**

The Racine Unified School District, in accordance with the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, approves the use of opioid antagonists via nasal routes or auto injector ONLY.

The Superintendent or their designee will be responsible for the procurement of naloxone. A school nurse or other licensed health care professional whose scope of practice includes administration of naloxone, or school personnel who have participated in District-approved or District-provided training, may administer naloxone on school grounds.

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**Storage and Maintenance**

- a. Naloxone will be clearly marked and stored in an accessible place in the office of the school nurse and other designated locations as determined by the building layout and floor plan. The school nurse, with the support of the school administrator, will ensure that all other relevant staff are aware of the naloxone storage location.
- b. Naloxone will be stored in accordance with manufacturer's instructions to avoid extreme cold, heat, and direct sunlight.
- c. The school nurse will inspect the naloxone units on a monthly basis and report to the Superintendent or their designee when nearing expiration and/or in need of replacement stock.
- d. The Superintendent or their designee shall maintain documentation of staff trained to use naloxone, when training occurred, incidents of use, and replacement orders.
- e. The school nurse shall be responsible for recording and reporting all incidents requiring the use of naloxone, through the incident/injury reporting process.

Legal Reference: Wisconsin Statute 118.29(2)(a)2g  
Wisconsin Statute 118.29(3)  
Wisconsin Statute 118.29(6)(a)1-6

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