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PURPOSE

The purpose of this administrative directive is to establish guidelines for the use of naloxone for opioid overdose intervention by the Vermont Department of Corrections (DOC).

POLICY

The DOC recognizes naloxone as a life-saving medication that can reverse the effects of an opioid overdose and aid in the rescue of a person who might otherwise not survive. With this knowledge, it is the policy of the DOC to support naloxone accessibility through field staff and correctional facilities. The objective is to expedite access to this intervention of opioid and opiate overdoses.

AUTHORITY

18 V.S.A. § 4240

REFERENCE

Vermont State Police Directive # 337 – Narcan.

PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES

1. Field staff may voluntarily choose to carry naloxone, and administer the medication when necessary, in the course of their duties. Field staff who choose to do so shall comply with all DOC policies concerning participation in the DOC's opioid overdose intervention field program.
2. Naloxone may be distributed by correctional facilities to certain inmates upon their release. Such distribution shall comply with all DOC policies concerning the distribution of naloxone in correctional facilities.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. The Director of Field Services shall review this directive with District Managers.
2. District Managers shall ensure that field staff who voluntarily choose to participate in the DOC's opioid overdose intervention field program comply with this administrative directive, complete all required training, and understand their responsibilities prior to carrying naloxone.
3. Superintendents shall ensure that this directive is implemented at their respective institutions.

QUALITY ASSURANCE

1. Any time naloxone is administered by a field staff member it is a reportable incident, and shall be documented according to DOC procedures.
2. The Director of Field Services shall provide an annual report to the Commissioner documenting use of naloxone in accordance with DOC policies.
3. Superintendents or designees will keep an ongoing list of inmates who have been offered naloxone upon their release from facilities, and whether they accepted or refused the kits.