# 16.19.26.13 NALOXONE FOR OPIOID OVERDOSE

# A. PROTOCOL:

- (1) Prescriptive authority for naloxone drug therapy shall be exercised solely in accordance with the written protocol for naloxone drug therapy approved by the board.
- (2) Any pharmacist exercising prescriptive authority for naloxone drug therapy must maintain a current copy of the written protocol for naloxone drug therapy approved by the board.

# **B. EDUCATION AND TRAINING:**

- (1) The pharmacist must successfully complete a course of training, accredited by the accreditation council for pharmacy education (ACPE), in the subject area of naloxone for opioid overdose drug therapy provided by:
  - a) the new mexico pharmacists association; or
  - b) a similar health authority or professional body approved by the board.
- (2) Training must include study materials and instruction in the following content areas:
  - (a) mechanisms of action;
  - (b) contraindications;
  - (c) identifying indications for the use of naloxone drug therapy;
  - (d) patient screening criteria;
  - (e) counseling and training patient and care-giver regarding the safety, efficacy and potential adverse effects of naloxone;
  - (f) evaluating patient's medical profile for drug interactions;
  - (g) referring patient for follow-up care with primary healthcare provider;
  - (h) informed consent;
  - (i) record management;
  - (j) management of adverse events;
- (3) Continuing education: Any pharmacist exercising prescriptive authority for naloxone drug therapy shall complete a minimum of 0.2 CEU of live ACPE approved naloxone drug therapy related continuing education every two years. Such continuing education shall be in addition to requirements in 16.19.4.10 NMAC.

# C. AUTHORIZED DRUG(S):

- (1) Prescriptive authority shall be limited to naloxone and shall include any device(s) approved for the administration of naloxone.
- (2) Prescriptive authority for naloxone drug therapy shall be limited to naloxone as delineated in the written protocol for naloxone drug therapy approved by the board.

# D. RECORDS:

- (1) The prescribing pharmacist must generate a written or electronic prescription for any naloxone dispensed.
- (2) Informed consent must be documented in accordance with the approved protocol for naloxone drug therapy and a record of such consent maintained in the pharmacy for a period of at least three years.

#### E. NOTIFICATION:

(1) Upon signed consent of the patient, the pharmacist shall notify the patient's designated physician or primary care provider within fifteen (15) days of naloxone dispensing.

**HISTORY OF 16.19.26 NMAC:** [RESERVED]