



VSP-DIR-337

Naloxone

1.0 Purpose

1.1 To establish guidelines and regulations governing utilization of Intranasal Naloxone administered by the Vermont State Police and the Vermont Department of Health. The objective is to treat Opioid/Opiate overdoses.

2.0 Policy.

2.1 It is the policy of the Vermont State Police that all members will be trained in the use of the Intranasal Naloxone through a curriculum approved by the Vermont Department of Health. Members will carry Naloxone while on duty and in a manner approved by their division commander and in compliance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

3.0 Deployment.

3.1 The Vermont Department of Health will supply the Intranasal Naloxone kits to the Vermont State Police. The Quartermaster will store and distribute the kits to members.

4.0 Naloxone Use.

4.1 When using the Intranasal Naloxone kit members will maintain universal precautions, perform patient assessment, determine unresponsiveness, absence of breathing and or pulselessness.

4.2 Member(s) will update dispatch that they are dealing with a potential overdose situation.

4.3 Dispatch will notify appropriate EMS to respond.

4.4 Members shall follow the protocol as outlined in the Intranasal Naloxone training they received in accordance to the Vermont Department of Public Health Guidelines.

4.5 Member(s) will remain with the subject to whom the Naloxone was administered in order to render appropriate first aid as necessary until EMS personnel arrive.

5.0 Maintenance and Replacement

5.1 Each member will be responsible for inspecting the Naloxone kit assigned to him/her, for signs of damage and to ensure the kit has not expired.

5.2 The Quartermaster will have an inventory of Naloxone kits stored at Headquarters. These kits shall be used to equip new members and replace any kits that are found to be expired, damaged, or when a kit is administered.

5.3 Replacement kits will be available through the department Quartermaster.

5.4 If a kit is lost, damaged or expired, the member shall report this to his/her supervisor and send an e-mail to the Staff Operations Captain with a brief explanation of why they need a new kit.

5.5 In the event Naloxone is administered, the appropriate documentation shall be completed as outlined in 6.0. The member shall receive a replacement Naloxone kit as soon as reasonably possible.

6.0 Documentation

6.1 When Naloxone is administered, a case number will be generated to document the event. Members will complete the Spillman report and identify these cases with a circumstance code of NARC. All pertinent case information will be entered to include a narrative.

6.2 Members will complete the Naloxone Deployment Reporting Form and will e-mail the completed form to DPS.Naloxone@vermont.gov. The recipients of this e-mail list are designated members of the Department of Health, the Staff Operations Commander, the Quartermaster and the Vermont Intelligence Center. Members shall receive a replacement kit as soon as reasonably possible.

Effective June 24, 2014

Revised November 5, 2015

The Vermont State Police Manual is not intended to apply in any criminal or civil proceeding outside of internal Department proceedings. No policy included in this publication should be construed as creating a higher legal standard of safety or care in an evidentiary sense with respect to third party claims. Violations of law will form the basis for civil and criminal sanctions in a recognized judicial setting.