POLICY

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Non-Instructional/ Business Operations

SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATION OF OPIOID OVERDOSE MEDICATION

Effective August 11, 2015, Education Law § 922 and Public Health Law § 3309 permit school districts in New York State to provide and maintain on site in each instructional school facility opioid antagonist medication for use during emergencies to any student or staff suspected of having an opioid overdose whether or not there is a previous history of opioid abuse.

Additionally, Part V of Chapter 57 of the Law of 2015, effective August 11, 2015, amended Education Law §§ 6527 and 6909 to authorize registered professional nurses (RNs) to administer opioid –related overdose treatment pursuant to a non-patient specific order and protocol prescribed by a licensed physician or a certified nurse practitioner.

The Board recognizes that the prompt administration of opioid overdose medication to a person who has suffered an opioid overdose can save lives. Accordingly, the District shall, in consultation with the Broome County Health Department, develop a program for the maintenance and administration of opioid overdose medication.

The Board further directs the Superintendent of Schools or designee to develop regulations to implement the program as developed in consultation with the Broome County Health Department.

Ref: Education Law §§ 922, 6527 and 6909 Public Health Law § 3309

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