



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4723.488 Authority to supply naloxone.

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(A) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter or rule adopted by the board of nursing, a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner who holds a certificate to prescribe issued under section 4723.48 of the Revised Code may personally furnish a supply of naloxone, or issue a prescription for naloxone, without having examined the individual to whom it may be administered if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The naloxone supply is furnished to, or the prescription is issued to and in the name of, a family member, friend, or other individual in a position to assist an individual who there is reason to believe is at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose.

(2) The nurse instructs the individual receiving the naloxone supply or prescription to summon emergency services either immediately before or immediately after administering naloxone to an individual apparently experiencing an opioid-related overdose.

(3) The naloxone is personally furnished or prescribed in such a manner that it may be administered by only either of the following routes:

(a) Using a device manufactured for the intranasal administration of liquid drugs;

(b) Using an autoinjector in a manufactured dosage form.

(B) A nurse who under division (A) of this section in good faith furnishes a supply of naloxone or issues a prescription for naloxone is not liable for or subject to any of the following for any action or omission of the individual to whom the naloxone is furnished or the prescription is issued: damages in any civil action, prosecution in any criminal proceeding, or professional disciplinary action.



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