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Policy 19-001

Off-site Dispensing of Naloxone

In meetings with the Jefferson County Department of Health, a need for increasing access to Naloxone has been identified. Although pharmacies carry Naloxone, in general the individuals needing this life saving medication are NOT coming into the pharmacies to get the medication.

In an effort to increase access and save lives, I would like to propose a provision by the Alabama Board of Pharmacy to allow for off-site dispensing of Naloxone to targeted populations. To ensure proper dispensing, counseling, and record keeping, I have outlined a process below.

- 1) The dispensing would be done in conjunction with the Alabama Department of Mental Health in order to provide Naloxone at no charge to the patient.
- 2) The pharmacist would be on-site to oversee ALL dispensing and counseling of the Naloxone for the duration of the clinic.
- 3) All technician/intern/extern ratios would be kept in line with current statutes.
- 4) All aspects of the Standing Order of the State Health Officer for Naloxone Distribution would be enforced.
- 5) The Naloxone Client Form would serve as the documentation of dispensing and would be filled out by the patient or the patient's agent.
- 6) Any Naloxone dispensed would be labeled with all necessary information in compliance with Alabama statutes and rules.

This provision to allow off-site dispensing would remain in force until such time as Naloxone becomes available over the counter.

Policy adopted by the Board of Pharmacy during the Business Meeting 2/20/2019. This final draft was approved by all Board members.

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