Responding to an Opioid Overdose Emergency

District Emergency Contact Number ____________________________

Signs of opioid overdose

- Unresponsive/minimally responsive
- Slow breathing (<10 per minute) or not breathing, snoring with gurgling
- Body limp
- Face pale
- Lips and fingertips turn bluish (cyanosis)

What to do for suspected Opioid Overdose

Check
- Assess the person for signs of overdose-not breathing, not responsive, blue nails and skin
- Stimulate the victim-shake, shout, perform sternal rub

Call
- 911/Activate School Emergency Response (including AED)
- State: “the person is not breathing”

Care
- Provide CPR/Rescue Breaths if needed
- For an unresponsive victim GIVE NALOXONE
- Roll the person on their side (Recovery Position)
- Monitor and support until EMS arrives
- A second dose may be given if no response after 2-3 minutes

Communicate and Report
administration of naloxone

How to give Narcan® nasal spray for suspected Opioid Overdose

KEY STEPS TO ADMINISTERING NARCAN® NASAL SPRAY:

PEEL

Place the package to remove the device. Hold the device with your thumb on the bottom of the plunger and 2 fingers on the nozzle.

PLACE

Place and hold the tip of the nozzle in either nostril until your fingers touch the bottom of the patient’s nose.

PRESS

Press the plunger firmly to release the dose into the patient’s nose.

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