

## Maintaining Naloxone Off-Site for Personally Furnishing

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On June 3, 2019, the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy adopted the following resolution:

Pursuant to agency 4729 of the Administrative Code, the Board hereby authorizes a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs to maintain a supply of naloxone for the purpose of being personally furnished in accordance with section 4731.941 of the Revised Code at a location other than that which is licensed by the Board. The naloxone maintained at an off-site location must adhere to the applicable storage and record keeping requirements of agency 4729 of the Administrative Code.

This resolution permits an Ohio licensed terminal distributor of dangerous drugs (TDDD) to store naloxone off-site for the purposes of personally furnishing. For example, a local health department licensed as a TDDD can maintain a supply of naloxone at a community center to personally furnish without the community center having to be licensed as a TDDD. (**NOTE:** Rule <u>4729-9-05</u> (F)(2) permits naloxone to be removed from a licensed location but requires it to be returned within 24-hours. This resolution permits it to be stored off-site indefinitely.)

All TDDDs opting to store naloxone at a location other than one licensed by the Board must comply with the following:

- Personally furnish naloxone in accordance with a physician-approved protocol.
- Maintain records of naloxone that is stored off-site. Such records shall include the following: the name, strength, dosage form, and quantity of the naloxone stored off-site, the address of the location where the naloxone is stored, and the date the naloxone was transferred to the off-site location.
- The terminal distributor is responsible for all required record keeping associated with personally furnishing naloxone. Such records may be maintained at the off-site location.
- To comply with Ohio law regarding the legal sales of drugs, the naloxone must first be sold or delivered to the licensed site from a wholesaler. It can then be distributed to off-site locations by the TDDD.
- The TDDD is responsible for the integrity of the naloxone maintained off-site, including ensuring that expired medication is separated from active drug stock.

If a licensee has any additional questions, they may contact the Board by email at: <u>contact@pharmacy.ohio.gov</u>.

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