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Opiate Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution at Evergreen Treatment Services, South Sound and Grays Harbor Clinics

Purpose

To provide guidelines for the training and implementation of overdose education and naloxone distribution at ETS.

Background

This procedure has been created to provide a structure for the training of staff members in overdose prevention and overdose response, including administration of naloxone.

Training for Staff

Staff will be trained in person, using power point slides, discussion and a hands-on period with the ability to practice assembly of IN naloxone kits.

Staff training will include the basic guidelines from SAMSHA Overdose Toolkit

- Assess for signs of opiate overdose
- Call for Help/ Dial 911
- Support the Person's Breathing
- Administer Naloxone
- Monitor the Person's Response/ Stay with the Person

Training for Patients

Will occur within the first 60 days of treatment at ETS. This will be a mandatory requirement of patients who are looking to achieve "take-home" privileges.

Group "Overdose Prevention and Naloxone Administration" will be held one time per week in the AM hours during peak patient times at clinic.

Group will be conducted by an overdose prevention trained nurse or counselor from the clinic.

- ✓ Ten minutes of discussion on overdose prevention
- ✓ Ten minutes of video on overdose response
- ✓ Ten minutes of hands-on training with demo IN naloxone kits

Procedure

- ✓ Designate Overdose Prevention Coordinator; suggesting this is Dispensary Nurse to work interdepartmentally with others.
- ✓ Each new patient admitted will have a service type added: "Overdose Prevention Education and Intervention". Service will be due 60 days following admission.



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- ✓ Counselor conducts overdose prevention education and intervention during counseling session within 60 days of admission.
 - ✓ Counselor places an alert on patient's chart indicating that patient is ready for naloxone prescription.
 - ✓ Medical Provider is alerted about the readiness for naloxone during the next visit. Medical Provider writes the prescription.
 - ✓ Once patient fills the prescription, s/he brings the kit back to the next counseling session for designated incentive.

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