# Naloxone in schools

#### The New Law

During the 2023-2024 Legislative session <u>HB 202</u> was passed. This bill impacts all schools in Alaska. It requires:

- That schools have two doses of an opioid overdose drug on school site.
- That schools have at least one staff trained to administer naloxone and at least one dose of the opioid overdose drug on school sites during school days, at school sponsored events, including before and after school.

#### The Kits

The Governor signed this bill into law August 2024. In response the Division of Public Health, <u>Project Hope</u> built and delivered over 500 naloxone kits and wall mount boxes to all Alaska school districts.

Project Hope has taken the lead on this effort and has been in contact with all Alaska school district offices. School district superintendent or their designee will be responsible for distribution to their schools.

## **The Training**

Training for the administration of naloxone is available from several resources - the easiest of which is from the DEED website, within the e-learning portal. This training video takes 15-20 minutes of your time and can be completed at your leisure. There you will learn about the science behind naloxone's efficacy, signs of an opiate overdose, reporting requirements, and best practices for administering naloxone.

If you are a current school employee (teachers and staff) please go to the DEED training site: <a href="https://education.alaska.gov/ELearning">https://education.alaska.gov/ELearning</a>

If you do not already have an account you will need to create one, otherwise, log in to your account and then navigate to "Health and Safety in schools and select the "Naloxone Administration" Training.

If you are interested in getting trained personally or just in acquiring a naloxone kit you can also contact many partner agencies across the state. A list of distributing partners can be found at: <a href="https://health.alaska.gov/osmap/Documents/ProjectHOPEcontacts.pdf">https://health.alaska.gov/osmap/Documents/ProjectHOPEcontacts.pdf</a>

If you have questions regarding your schools' policies and or materials, please reach out to your district contact.

You can also reach out to <a href="mailto:projecthope@alaska.gov">projecthope@alaska.gov</a> if you need more information.

## https://health.alaska.gov/osmap/Pages/hope.aspx

### The follow-up

If you administer naloxone, you are required to "report back" to your school administration and Project Hope, regardless of who or where the opioid overdose drug was used. The fact that it was used is enough to require a report. Reporting is an anonymous survey that is entirely confidential and takes less than 90 seconds to complete. Please email projecthope@alaska.gov if you have any questions about how to meet this requirement.

After a naloxone dose is used, please contact your school district and Project Hope to place a new order so that your school will continue to meet the mandate of the new law.