

Ohio Revised Code

Section 4730.434 [Former R.C. 4730.431, renumbered by H.B. 341, 133rd General Assembly, effective 12/16/2020] Naloxone prescribed or furnished without examination.

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Legislation: House Bill 341 - 133rd General Assembly

- (A) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter or rule adopted by the state medical board, a physician assistant who holds a valid prescriber number issued by the board and has been granted physician-delegated prescriptive authority may personally furnish a supply of naloxone, or issue a prescription for naloxone, without having examined the individual to whom it may be administered if both of the following conditions are met:
- (1) The naloxone supply is furnished to, or the prescription is issued to and in the name of, a family member, friend, or other individual in a position to assist an individual who there is reason to believe is at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose.
- (2) The physician assistant instructs the individual receiving the naloxone supply or prescription to summon emergency services as soon as practicable either before or after administering naloxone to an individual apparently experiencing an opioid-related overdose.
- (B) A physician assistant who under division (A) of this section in good faith furnishes a supply of naloxone or issues a prescription for naloxone is not liable for or subject to any of the following for any action or omission of the individual to whom the naloxone is furnished or the prescription is issued: damages in any civil action, prosecution in any criminal proceeding, or professional disciplinary action.