

MEMO

TO: SUD Treatment Providers, CMHSP's CEO's/SUD Treatment Directors

FROM: Stephanie VanDerKooi, Interim Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Director

DATE: October 18, 2017

RE: Standing Order for Naloxone

The Lakeshore Regional Entity (LRE) has been notified by Chris Priest, Director of Medical Services Administration at MDHHS, that the State of Michigan's Chief Medical Executive, Dr. Eden Wells, has received authority under MCL 333.17701 to issue a standing order as an additional method for providing naloxone. Naloxone blocks or reverses the effects of opioid medication, and is used to treat a narcotic overdose in an emergency situation. This medicine should not be used in place of emergency medical care for an overdose. More information on the standing order is available at www.michigan.gov/naloxone.

The most recent letter was provided for guidance on billing claims for naloxone dispensed via a standing order. The memo from MDHHS is attached for your review.

Please contact me at stephaniev@lsre.org with any questions or contact MDHHS at 1-800-292-2550.

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