

Washington State Statewide Standing Order to Dispense Naloxone FAQs

Access:

- **Do I need to bring a copy of the standing order with me to show the pharmacist?** Bringing a paper copy of the standing order is recommended. A pharmacist might be willing to pull it up on their computer. You could also have the pdf ready to show on your phone or tablet ([PDF](#)).
- **How many naloxone kits can I receive at a time if I use the standing order?** The standing order states that the pharmacist shall dispense two or more doses (i.e., at least one kit) of naloxone per transaction. If you need more than one, please ask the pharmacist if they have more available.
- **Do I have to show identification or proof of need for naloxone if I use the standing order at a pharmacy?** There is a reasonable expectation that you will need to show identification to the pharmacist. However, the pharmacist should not ask you why you are requesting a naloxone kit. You are not required to demonstrate any proof of needing the kit (e.g., proof of a current opioid prescription).

Dispensing:

- **I'm a pharmacist- whose name, NPI # and address do I list as the prescribing physician on the prescription when using the standing order?** The standing order was signed by State Health Officer Dr. Scott Lindquist.

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- **Do I need to verify the age of the customer before dispensing naloxone?** There is no minimum age specified in the standing order. Follow your organization's protocol for any age limits when dispensing medication; if no protocol exists, we suggest that you use your best judgement to determine the ability of the patient to recognize the signs and symptoms of an opioid overdose and to administer the naloxone.
- **Can we use the standing order to distribute naloxone at our organization if we do not have a physician on site?** YES! Please follow the guidelines in the standing order- you must "ensure that directions for use are provided". This can be accomplished by providing verbal instructions, or by having someone watch a video or read an instruction guide. Training materials can be found [here](#).

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