

Network Notification

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To: Ohio Health Partners

From: CareSource®

Subject: Curbing Opioid Overdose with Naloxone

Opioids play a big part in accidental deaths. CareSource wants to put naloxone and a nasal spray device ("atomizer") within reach of our high risk members and their families. The use of naloxone hydrochloride and an atomizer by loved ones and first time responders can potentially help reverse an opioid overdose. That's why we have these items as a covered benefit for our CareSource members. There is no prior authorization required.

Effective immediately you can bill for both the drug and the atomizer. To avoid out-of-pocket expense for our members, providers can supply the injectable naloxone and bill it as a medical benefit. When intranasal naloxone is prescribed, the provider may supply the atomizer as a medical benefit. Reimbursement codes are listed below. At the pharmacy, members may incur a nominal expense for the atomizer device if not provided by your office as a medical benefit. You can also encourage members to seek Medication Therapy Management (MTM) at the pharmacy, to give them a better understanding of the risks and benefits of naloxone.

The codes for medical reimbursement for CareSource members are listed below:

- Naloxone Injection: Medical benefit code J2310
- Atomizer: Medical benefit code S8100 with modifier KX

Following are some training resources and materials for your reference.

Overdose Survival: catalyst for treatment flier
Naloxone RX /Overdose Guide
CareSource can help brochure for members
www.healthy.ohio.gov/vipp/drug/ProjectDAWN.aspx

If you have questions, please call CareSource at 1-800-488-0134 and follow the prompts to Pharmacy. Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Time. We can work together to curb unnecessary fatalities.

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