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Utah Statewide Glucagon Kits Standing Order

Purpose:

The purpose of this standing order is to facilitate access to glucagon kits for public and private schools in Utah, ensuring they are prepared to respond to diabetic emergencies involving students with known diabetes and a glucagon authorization on file.

Authority:

This standing order serves as a prescription for FDA-approved glucagon kits for qualified glucagon kit entities in Utah. It authorizes pharmacists to dispense glucagon kits to public and private schools that employ, contract with, or have a similar relationship with a qualified adult who is likely to have contact with a student who may experience a hypoglycemic emergency.

It also authorizes those qualified adults to obtain and use glucagon kits in accordance with Utah Code §26B-4 Part 4, including emergency administration to a student who:

- Has a diabetes diagnosis from a licensed health care provider;
- Has a glucagon medication authorization on file with the school; and
- Is showing symptoms of hypoglycemia.

Pursuant to Utah Code §26B-4-409, and under the authority of the UCA §58-17b Pharmacy Practice Act, pharmacists may dispense glucagon kits without a patient-specific prescription. Dispensing must comply with the provisions of §26B-4-409, §58-17b-1005, and relevant administrative rules, as well as the requirements of this standing order.

Immunity:

In accordance with Utah Code §26B-4-410, pharmacists who dispense glucagon kits under this standing order—and qualified glucagon kit entities—are protected from civil liability, for actions taken in good faith and in accordance with UCA §\$26B-4-406 through -412 and applicable rules.

Dispensing Guidelines:

Pharmacists may dispense FDA-approved glucagon kits under this standing order to:

Qualified adults employed by or associated with public or private schools who are likely to
encounter students with diabetes experiencing a hypoglycemic emergency.

Authorized Glucagon Products:

FDA-approved glucagon kits may be dispensed under this standing order in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions for emergency treatment of severe hypoglycemia.

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Intranasal administration

- Baqsimi Glucagon Nasal Powder 3 mg
 - o Instructions: Administer one intranasal spray (3 mg) into one nostril at the first signs of severe hypoglycemia. Call 911 and seek emergency medical care. May repeat with a second device if no response after 15 minutes.

Subcutaneous (SQ) administration

- Gvoke HypoPen 1 mg/0.2 mL Prefilled Auto-Injector
 - o Instructions: Inject 1 mg subcutaneously into the outer thigh at the first signs of severe hypoglycemia. Call 911 and seek emergency medical care. May repeat with second injector if available and no response after 15 minutes.

Intramuscular (IM) administration

- Glucagon for Injection 1 mg/mL Emergency Kit
 - o Instructions: Reconstitute immediately before use. Inject 1 mg intramuscularly or subcutaneously into the outer thigh, upper arm, or buttock at the first signs of severe hypoglycemia. Call 911 and seek emergency medical care. May repeat after 15 minutes if no response and another dose is available.

Reporting:

Entities electing to utilize this standing order for stock glucagon must complete the required reporting process through the designated glucagon standing order reporting webpage:

https://redcap.link/glucagonSO. To obtain a prescription under this standing order, the entity must first submit all required information via the website. After the glucagon kit has been dispensed, the entity must return to the site to provide the name and license number of the pharmacist who fulfilled the prescription. The reporting submission must include:

- Name of the qualified adult recipient
- Name of the requesting entity
- Details of the glucagon kit dispensed
- Any additional relevant information as required

Education:

In accordance with Utah Code §26B-4-412 each public and private primary and secondary school that maintains a glucagon kit must provide initial and annual refresher training on recognition of hypoglycemia symptoms, emergency response procedures, glucagon administration, storage, and follow-up care. This training must be offered to any teacher or school employee who volunteers to serve as a qualified adult. Educational materials are available at: https://heal.utah.gov/schools/school-nursing/diabetes

This standing order will be reviewed by the Utah Department of Health and Human Services in consultation with the Utah Board of Pharmacy as new information becomes available. Recommendations for updates will be considered prior to re-issuance or at least once every two years.

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