CECIL COLLEGE PUBLIC SAFETY

STANDING OPERATING PROCEDURE

NARCAN NASAL SPRAY (NALOXONE) PROCEDURE

<u>PURPOSE</u> to provide guidance in the administration of NARCAN nasal spray administered by Cecil College Public Safety Officers. The objective is to treat opioid overdoses and reduce the result of a fatal opioid overdose.

POLICY: It is the policy of Cecil College that Public Safety Officers understand opioid overdose risk factors and upon recognition of an overdose, initiate a medical emergency response. Officers who administer NARCAN nasal spray shall receive annual training in the use and deployment of NARCAN nasal spray according to the laws of the state of Maryland and the guidance of the Cecil County Health Department.

SYMPTOMS of an OVERDOSE: Slow, shallow breathing

Very sleepy and unable to talk or unconscious

Skin color is blue or grayish with dark lips and fingernails

Snoring or gurgling sounds

NARCAN NASAL SPRAY USE: 1.) Use NARCAN nasal spray for known or suspected opioid overdose.

- 2.) Do not remove or test NARCAN nasal spray until ready for use.
- 3.) Each NARCAN nasal spray has <u>1</u> dose and cannot be reused.

PROCEDURE:

- 1.) Lay the person on their back to receive a dose of NARCAN nasal spray.
- 2.) Peel back the tab with the circle to open NARCAN nasal spray.
- 3.) Hold the NARCAN nasal spray with your thumb on the bottom of the plunger and your first and middle fingers on either side of nozzle.
- 4.) Tilt the person's head back and provide support under the neck with your hand. Gently insert the tip of the nozzle into <u>one nostril</u> until fingers on either side of the nozzle are against the bottom of the person's nose.

- 5.) Press the plunger firmly to give the dose of NARCAN nasal spray.
- 6.) Remove the NARCAN nasal spray from the nostril after giving dose.
- 7.) Move the person on their side after giving NARCAN nasal spray. If the person does not respond by waking up, to voice or touch, or breathing normalcy, another dose may be given. NARCAN nasal spray may be dosed every 2 to 3 minutes, if available.
- 8.) Repeat steps 2 through 6 using <u>new</u> NARCAN nasal spray to give another dose in the other nostril. Steps 2 through 6 may be repeated every 2 to 3 minutes until the person responds, or medical help arrives.

REPORTING:

Cecil College Public Safety Officers whom administer NARCAN nasal spray will submit a report within 24 hours detailing the nature of the incident.

STORAGE:

Store NARCAN nasal spray at room temperature.

Do not freeze NARCAN nasal spray.

Keep NARCAN nasal spray packages sealed until ready for use.

Replace NARCAN nasal spray before the expiration date.

Keep all NARCAN nasal Spray and all medicines out of the reach of children.

Additional supplies of NARCAN Nasal Spray will be stored at the Public Safety office located at the Elkton Station and North East campuses.