

SAINT THOMAS SEMINARY

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Policy Title:

Opioid Antagonists

Naloxone (Narcan)

Responsible Office:

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Purpose/Scope:

The sole purpose of Naloxone is to reverse an opioid overdose. In compliance with Connecticut law, all institutions of higher education in the State of Connecticut are required to develop and implement a policy concerning the availability and use of opioid antagonists, or Naloxone (Narcan), by faculty, staff, and students of the institution.

Policy Statement:

It is the policy of Saint Thomas Seminary to provide medical assistance to anyone attending the Catholic Biblical School, Diaconate School, working at or visiting the campus of Saint Thomas Seminary. Should any person be found unresponsive or otherwise appearing in need of medical assistance, our faculty, staff, and students will immediately call 911, and then stay with the individual until Emergency Medical Services (EMS) arrives. Emergency responders in the Town of Bloomfield carry and are trained to administer opioid antagonists when deemed appropriate.

Saint Thomas Seminary is committed to maintaining a safe and substance-free campus and work environment.

Purchase and Distribution of Naloxone - Not Applicable:

Saint Thomas Seminary does not store, supply, or distribute Naloxone on campus.

Location of Opioid Antagonists – Not Applicable:

Saint Thomas Seminary does not store, supply, or distribute Naloxone on campus.

Storage and Disposal of Opioid Antagonists - Not Applicable:

Saint Thomas Seminary does not store, supply or distribute Naloxone on campus.

Opioid Antagonist Administration Training - Not Applicable:

Saint Thomas Seminary will not supply Naloxone so training is not necessary.

Distribution of Policy:

To ensure that the faculty, staff, and students of Saint Thomas Seminary are aware of this policy, as well as the Board of Trustees, it will be shared at the beginning of each semester via the Saint Thomas Seminary website, the Saint Thomas Seminary Registrar, and will be posted to the Catholic Biblical School section of the Office of Education, Evangelization and Catechesis website. It will be posted to the Office of the Diaconate section of the Archdiocese of Hartford website. The policy will also be discussed at new student orientation of the Catholic Biblical and Diaconate schools each semester.

All those who work at Saint Thomas Seminary will be notified of this policy in writing annually.

