

Liability: Pharmacist Use of Opioid Antagonist

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A pharmacist who educates others about opioid overdose or purchased, acquires, or distributes an opioid antagonist will not be held legally responsible. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

Prevention and treatment of opioid-related overdoses

(e) A person acting on behalf of a community-based overdose prevention program or a licensed pharmacist shall be immune from civil or criminal liability for providing education on opioid-related overdose prevention or for purchasing, acquiring, distributing, or possessing an opioid antagonist unless the person's actions constituted recklessness, gross negligence, or intentional misconduct.