

Alaska Association of Student Government Resolution #14 Naloxone training in health class Submitted by: Jeremiah Bayles and Luois Amora April 20, 2024

Be it Resolved that the Alaska Association of Student Governments supports making naloxone training apart of the health curriculum for the state of Alaska,

- 1. Whereas, Naloxone is a medicine that rapidly reverses an opioid overdose. It is an opioid antagonist. This means that it attaches to opioid receptors and reverses and blocks the effects of other opioids;
- 2. Whereas, resolution #2 for this spring's 2024 AASG conference was passed to support HB 202;
- **3.** Whereas, Drug misuse is already taught in high school;
- **4. Whereas**, the simulation of the naloxone nasal spray would be a quick lesson in health class;
- 5. Whereas, 2,231 adolescents 10-19 died of overdoses from 2019 to 2021;²
- **6.** Whereas, in some schools, students learn how to use epi pens;
- 7. Whereas, 151 people die from opioid-related overdoses per year in Alaska;¹

Therefore, be it resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments supports making naloxone training a requirement in the state health curriculum.

Action Statement: if passed by the general assembly of AASG, this resolution will be sent to the state board of education and to as many school districts as possible.

Sources

- 1. https://health.alaska.gov/dph/VitalStats/Documents/PDFs/DrugOverdoseMortalityUpdate
 _2022.pdf
- 2. https://www.pbs.org/newshour/health/how-dozens-of-u-s-adolescents-are-dying-of-drug-overdoses-each-month-shown-in-3-charts#:~:text=Opioids%20are%20behind%20the%20vast,19%20died%20of%20an%20overdose

The resolution passes with noted opposition

Passed by the Spring 2024 General Assembly of AASG hosted by Barrow High School

AASG Vice President, Danika Hamm

AASG Executive Director, Kathleen Navarre