

**TITLE: Medication Overdose and Side Effects**

**Number: 418.00**

**Policy:**

It is the policy of Thrive Behavioral Network, LLC to provide a routine procedure when a client is experiencing problematic side effects from prescribed medication or experiencing a drug overdose reaction. **Call 911 or local emergency services if the person stops breathing or other life-threatening medical complications occur.**

**Procedure:**

**418.10 Staff Responsibilities**

The following is a list of staff responsibilities for non-life-threatening concerns:

- Check current resources to evaluate specific side effects a client may be experiencing.
- Consult with facility nurse if available, who may call the client's Licensed Independent Practitioner or consulting psychiatrist, to assist in evaluation of possible medication side effects.
- Call poison control (1-800-222-1222) if there is an overdose or suspicion of overdose.
- Contact supervisory staff at any time in the above procedure and at resolution of the side effect or overdose situation.

**418.20 Documentation**

Staff member will complete Form 1003 – Accident/Incident Report.

**418.30 Supervisory Review**

Staff member will review the accident/incident report with the Treatment/Program Director and facility nurse, and the report will be filed in the client case file.