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.**

At any time of a suspected opioid overdose, staff or clients may utilize and administer naloxone (Narcan) per policy and call 911 immediately.

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 Prescriber 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 and Form 4029- Medication Incident/Error 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.