



Health and Community Services

Cynthia Foley

Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2023-1296,
2023-1298, 2023-
1375

Motion: 23-470,
23-472, 23-507

Type:

- Contract
 Board Appt.
 Code Amendment
 Budget Action
 Other

Requested Handling:

- Normal
 Expedite
 Urgent

Fund Source:

- General Fund
 Other
 N/A

Executive Rec:

- Approve
 Do Not Approve
 N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- Yes
 No
 N/A

Subject: Agreements for the Leave-Behind Naloxone Distribution Program

Scope: The Snohomish County Department of Health is establishing agreements with local jurisdictions to provide Naloxone in exchange for data regarding opioid overdoses. The data will be used to track demand for naloxone and distribute it where it is most needed.

Duration: Through December 31, 2026

Fiscal Impact: Current Year Multi-Year N/A

Authority Granted: Motions authorize execution of agreements with local jurisdictions to implement Leave-Behind Naloxone Distribution Programs:

- Motion 23-470 (ECAF 2023-1296) authorizes execution of an agreement with City of Everett; and
- Motion 23-472 (ECAF 2023-1298) authorizes execution of an agreement with Snohomish County Fire District #16; and
- Motion 23-507 (ECAF 2023-1375) authorizes execution of an agreement with North County Fire & EMS.

Background: Snohomish County Council passed Ordinance No. 23-048¹ approving form agreements for naloxone distribution (leave-behind program) between Snohomish County and local jurisdictions within Snohomish County on June 7, 2023.

RCW 69.41.095² establishes that any person or “entity” (e.g., police department, homeless shelter) can obtain, possess, and administer naloxone.

In response to an Executive Directive³ issued by Executive Dave Somers in May of 2023, the Opioid Response Multi-Agency Coordination developed goals including “Reduce negative health outcomes, including death, by expanding available resources for individuals who misuse or abuse drugs,” and identifies near-term strategies, including “supply and support naloxone leave-behind program for first responders.”

Requested Action: Move to GLS on December 6, 2023, for consideration.

¹ [2023-0479 - Ordinance 23-048 \(legistar.com\)](https://legistar.com/View/00000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000000/FullText/2023-0479)

² [RCW 69.41.095: Opioid overdose reversal medication—Standing order permitted. \(wa.gov\)](https://www.wa.gov/legislation/bills-and-resolutions/2023/bills-and-resolutions/2023-095)

³ [Executive-Somers-Announces-Overall-Goals-and-Near-Term-Strategies-to-Address-Drug-Use-Crisis-Including-a-Mobile-Opioid-Treatment-Program \(snohomishcountywa.gov\)](https://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/Executive-Somers-Announces-Overall-Goals-and-Near-Term-Strategies-to-Address-Drug-Use-Crisis-Including-a-Mobile-Opioid-Treatment-Program)