Fentanyl Test Strips Distribution Project Procedure

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Purpose

To outline the procedure for the distribution of Fentanyl Test Strips (FTS) by San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) clinic-based and field-based staff for prevention of fentanyl-related emergencies or overdose incidents.

Receiving Inventory

- When the DBH clinic receives Fentanyl Test Strips, clinic or program supervisor will record the following in the Non-Medication Resource Log (MDS032):
 - o Item received;
 - Date received;
 - Lot # (if applicable);
 - Expiration date (if applicable), and
 - o Quantity received
- Log will be placed in an area that is easily accessible to all appropriate staff.
- Clinic and field staff will assess individuals to determine risk for potential opioid overdose under the authority of the clinic or program supervisor.
- Any clinic or field-based staff can distribute Fentanyl Test Strips.
- Fentanyl test strips will be re-ordered at the direction of program managers when supplies are estimated to be exhausted within 30 days.

Opioid Overdose Prevention

The table below describes the steps for DBH clinic and field-based staff:

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Step	Action
1.	Identify individuals at risk of opioid overdose:
	History of overdose;
	Substances used, and
	Any other identified risk factors.
2.	Offer Fentanyl Test Strips in clinic or field-based setting.
3.	Educate individual and/or caretaker on the use of Fentanyl Test
	Strips.
4.	Provide Fentanyl Test Strips to the individual with SUDRS
	instruction label affixed.
5.	Track the distribution on the Non-Medication Resource Log
	(MDS032) by following directions included on the form.

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Distribution Log

- Each clinic or program will have a Non-Medication Resource Log (MDS032) to complete as FTS are distributed. The log will track the following:
 - How many FTS were distributed;
 - The total quantity of FTS that remain available, and
 - Where they are being provided, e.g., at a clinic, in the field or at an outreach event.
- Each clinic or program supervisor will submit the completed FTS log to DBH Administration for tracking via email at DBH-SUDRSADMIN@dbh.sbcounty.gov by the 5th of the following month.
- Once the information is received, the SUDRS Administration staff will update the internal FTS Master Log.

Related Policy or Procedure

DBH Standard Practice Manual and Departmental Forms:

- Narcan Distribution Project Policy (MDS2032)
- Narcan Distribution Project Procedure (MDS2032-1)
- Fentanyl Test Strips Distribution Project Policy (SUDRS2043)
- Medication Log (MDS032)

Reference(s)

- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- California Department of Public Health- Fentanyl Testing Fact Sheet