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RE: SB 472 - Pupil health: opioid overdose reversal medication

To Dr. Aragon,

On behalf of the California Conference of Local Health Officers (CCLHO), representing the appointed physician health officers of California's 61 city and county jurisdictions, we would like to provide our recommendation to **SUPPORT SB 472** and include additional recommendations.

This bill would require each individual public school operated by a school district, county office of education, or charter school that has made a person who has received instruction in the administration of naloxone hydrochloride or any other opioid antagonist available at the school, as provided, to maintain at least 2 doses of naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist for purposes of those authorizations. The bill would require each school district, county office of education, and charter school that has made a person who has received instruction in the administration of naloxone hydrochloride or any other opioid antagonist available at its schools, as provided, to report to the State Department of Education and the State Department of Health Care Services on or before July 31, 2024, and annually thereafter, certain information regarding opioid antagonists. Additional recommendations include:

- Expanding the number of doses in the school;
- Increasing the number of trained staff; and to
- Be inclusive of all schools.

For these reasons, CCLHO recommends a SUPPORT position and additional recommendations for SB 472.

CCLHO was established in statute in 1947 to advise the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), other departments, boards, commissions, and officials of federal, state and local agencies, the Legislature, and other organizations on all matters affecting health. CCLHO membership consists of all legally appointed physician health officers in California's 61 city and county jurisdictions.

Sincerely,

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