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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'SJS', is written over the printed name of Sam J. Stratton.

SUBJECT: ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT APPROVED TO ADMINISTER NALOXONE (NARCAN™)

Beginning October 1, 2016, deputies with the Orange County Sheriff's Department will begin implementation of their overdose prevention program for reversal of suspected opioid overdose victims in the field. After ensuring that 911 EMS responders are en route, they are authorized to administer a prepackaged naloxone 4mg/0.1mL intranasal dose to unconscious, unresponsive victims of a suspected opioid overdose. The Orange County EMS public safety first responder naloxone standing order, SO-FR-01, can be found on the OCEMS website along with the current public safety first responder policy, 398.00.

Several other law enforcement agencies have expressed interest in becoming trained and authorized. As other law enforcement agencies establish their programs and complete training, they will be added to OCEMS policy #398.05: Law Enforcement First Responder Agencies Approved to Administer Naloxone.

For further information or questions, please contact Vicki Sweet, ALS/CQI Coordinator at 714-834-2926 or vsweet@ochca.com.

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