

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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## 76<sup>th</sup> STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 44

Primary Sponsor(s): Johannemann, Meier Co-Sponsor(s): Click or tap here to enter text. Date: March 25, 2024

**Whereas:** Opioid usage and overdoses continue to be a pressing national crisis, with a 16% increase in overdose deaths between 2020 and 2021 and a percentage that is steadily rising with each consecutive year.

**Whereas:** Opioid use amongst college students is recognized as a "serious public health concern" according to the National Institute of Health (NIH).

**Whereas:** The State of Florida's Department of Children and Families' State Opioid Response (SOR) Project has continued to fund the distribution of Naloxone nasal spray, more informally known as Narcan, at no cost to public universities like Florida State University.

Whereas: Florida State University's University Health Services (UHS) has proactively worked with the state department to distribute Narcan to students at no cost.

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**Whereas:** UHS staff have diligently partnered with other campus resources and organizations to remove a barrier to access Narcan by providing educational sessions, a kit containing two doses of nasal spray, and the chance to talk to a medical provider at UHS with any questions.

**Be it resolved by the Seventy-Sixth Student Senate at Florida State University that:** The State of Florida's SOR Project be commended, and UHS' efforts to educate and equip students regarding Narcan usage and substance abuse prevention be formally recognized and supported. We encourage all students and organizations to work with UHS to attend a distribution, ask questions, and create a safer community, campus, county, state, and nation.

**Be it further resolved that:** A copy of this resolution be sent to: Crystal Lilly, State Opioid Response (SOR) Project Director-Department of Children and Families Dr. Amy Magnuson, Director of University Health Services (UHS) Dr. Christopher DeLisle, Medical Director of University Health Services (UHS) Rose Rezaei, Director of the LIFT Program Dr. Richard McCullough, President of Florida State University Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Zduy Chu, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Brandon Bowden, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Jack Hitchcock, Student Body President Dr. Felicia Williams, Director of Student Engagement Andy Johnson, Student Government and Advocacy Program Director Michaela Denny, Assistant Director of CHAW

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SENATE VOTE: Passed by Acclamation PASSED: March 27, 2024