

# WHAT IS NALOXONE?



**Naloxone is a safe medication that can reverse an overdose from opioids, including heroin, fentanyl, and prescription opioids. It is most commonly available as a nasal spray or auto-injector.**



# NALOXONE SAVES LIVES

Another person is often present when overdose deaths occur. Keeping naloxone with you and at your home means you can help save someone's life if you witness an overdose. Most states have Good Samaritan laws in place to protect those who are overdosing and anyone assisting them in an emergency from arrest, charges, or a combination of these.

# NALOXONE IS EASY TO GET AND EASY TO USE

In most states, naloxone is available at the pharmacy without a prescription. Naloxone is easy to administer and small enough to fit in a pocket or small bag. Some people may need more than one dose of naloxone to reverse an opioid overdose.



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**[CDC.GOV/STOOVERDOSE](https://www.cdc.gov/stooverdose)**

# RESPONDING TO OVERDOSE

If someone has overdosed, follow these steps:

- 1 Call 911 immediately.
- 2 Administer naloxone, if available.
- 3 Try to keep the person awake and breathing.
- 4 Lay the person on their side to prevent choking.
- 5 Stay with the person until emergency assistance arrives.