

Accessing No-Cost Naloxone in Pennsylvania

What's Naloxone?

Naloxone is a life-saving medication used in the event of a suspected opioid overdose.



How Can Individuals & Organizations Get Naloxone in PA?

Individuals: In addition to accessing naloxone at their local pharmacy through the PA Department of Health's [standing order](#), community members can request the medication at no cost through [PA's statewide mail-to-home naloxone program](#).

Organizations & Agencies: Launched in 2017, PCCD's [Naloxone for First Responders Program \(NFRP\)](#) provides and distributes free kits containing two 4mg intranasal doses to organizations and individuals who may encounter someone experiencing an overdose ("first responders"). A wide range of community-based organizations, agencies, and other entities are eligible to receive a supply of naloxone at no cost through [Centralized Coordinating Entities \(CCEs\)](#) across the state, or through [PCCD's NFRP request form](#). Some examples of just a few of the kinds of eligible first responders who can receive kits through the NFRP are below:



Community-based Organizations

- Harm Reduction
- SSPs
- Recovery Orgs



Healthcare

- Emergency Dept.
- EMS/EMT
- Primary Care Settings
- Clinics



Criminal Justice & Reentry

- Prisons/Jails
- Law Enforcement
- Reentry Coalitions
- Probation/Parole



Human Services

- Behavioral Health Providers
- Shelters (e.g., homeless, DV, etc.)
- Treatment Providers



Education

- K-12 schools
- College + university campuses



Other Groups

- Parks + recreation
- Restaurants
- Hospitality
- Small business
- Transportation

Additional Training, Technical Assistance, and Resources

- PCCD's Naloxone for First Responders Program: [Naloxone for First Responders \(pa.gov\)](#)
- PCCD's guidance for those receiving PCCD purchased naloxone: [FY 2020-22 NFRP Guidelines for CCEs and Other Groups Receiving Naloxone.pdf \(pa.gov\)](#)
- PA Department of Drug & Alcohol Programs [Naloxone](#)
- Naloxone Trainings: [https://www.train.org/pa/admin/course/1085469/Naloxone Nasal Spray Demonstration - YouTube](https://www.train.org/pa/admin/course/1085469/Naloxone%20Nasal%20Spray%20Demonstration%20-%20YouTube)
- Naloxone FAQs [NFRP General Public and First Responder FAQs.pdf \(pa.gov\)](#)
- Technical Assistance for Grassroots/Community-based Organizations: [Prevention Point Pittsburgh \(pppgh.org\)](#)

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