

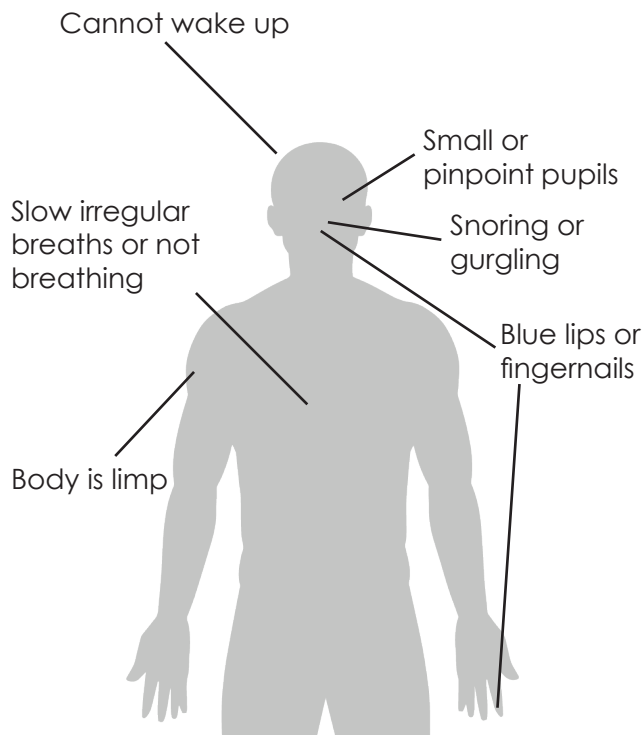
## What is naloxone?

- Naloxone (Narcan, Evzio) temporarily stops an opioid overdose by blocking its effects on the brain.
- Naloxone does NOT work for overdoses involving alcohol or non-opioid drugs such as stimulants or benzodiazepines.
- Naloxone is safe to use and unlikely to cause harmful effects even if given to someone who is not overdosing on opioids.

## Why do I need it?

- Anybody taking an opioid has a potential risk of overdosing.
- An overdose can occur even with proper use.
- Opioids can slow or stop breathing, leading to loss of consciousness or death.

## Signs of an opioid overdose:



Images from Vecteezy.com

## What are opioid medications?

You probably know that

Hydrocodone  
Morphine  
Oxycodone  
Fentanyl

You may not know that

Tylenol 1, 2, 3 and 4  
Meperidine (Demerol)  
Tapentadol (Nucynta IR)  
Methadone  
Buprenorphine

are opioid medications.

are also opioids and carry the same risks.

## How to Respond to an Opioid Overdose

1

### SHOUT & SHAKE

Shout their name and shake their shoulders



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### CALL 9-1-1

If unresponsive



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### GIVE NALOXONE

1 spray into nostril or inject 1 vial or ampoule into arm or leg



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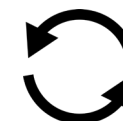
### PERFORM RESCUE BREATHING AND/OR CHEST COMPRESSIONS



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### IS IT WORKING?

If no improvements after 2-3 minutes, repeat steps 3 & 4. Stay with them.



# An opioid overdose can happen to anyone taking an opioid

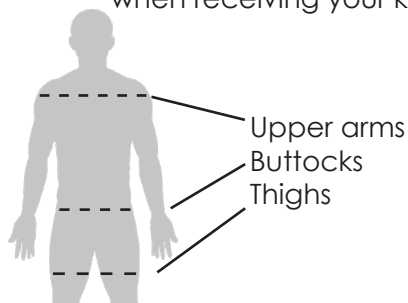
Get a free take home Naloxone kit just in case!

## What are the types of naloxone?

1

### Naloxone injection

Injectable naloxone is easy to use and your pharmacist will train you when receiving your kit.



### How to use injectable naloxone:

<https://uwaterloo.ca/pharmacy/news/naloxone-pharmacieswhat-you-need-knowcombat-opioid-crisis>

2

### Naloxone nasal spray — Intra-nasal naloxone is for the nose.

It is easy to use and works even if you need to give it to a person who is not breathing.

### How to give naloxone nasal spray:

- Peel the package open and hold the device. Do not press until ready to give naloxone.
- Place the nasal end in the nostril.
- Press plunger firmly to spray.



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## How to stay safe on opioid medications:

Do not drink alcohol.

Do not start any new medications without talking to your doctor, nurse practitioner, or pharmacist first.

Do not share medications.

Store medications in a safe and secure place.

Take your medications exactly as prescribed. If you have questions, ask your prescriber or pharmacist.

## Who is eligible for a Naloxone kit?

- Anyone who is currently using opioids
- Anyone who is a past opioid user who is at risk of returning to opioid use
- Anyone who is a family member, friend or other person in a position to assist a person at risk of overdose from opioids

## Where can I get Naloxone to save a life?

Stop by any of these Peace River Center sites, and ask for a free Narcan (naloxone) Nasal Spray kit. We will not ask your name or any personal information.

- **Avon Park Outpatient Facility:**  
950 CR 17A West, Avon Park, FL 33825
- **Bartow Crisis Stabilization Unit:**  
1255 Golfview Ave, Bartow, FL 33830
- **FACT / Substance Abuse Program:**  
1825 Gilmore Ave, Lakeland FL 33805
- **Gilmore Outpatient Office:**  
1831 Gilmore Ave, Lakeland, FL 33805
- **Lakeland Crisis Stabilization Unit:**  
715 North Lake Ave, Lakeland, FL 33801
- **Lake Wales Outpatient Facility:**  
815 State Road 60 E, Lake Wales, FL 33853
- **Wauchula Outpatient Facility:**  
213 E Orange St, Suite B, Wauchula, FL 33873
- **Wellness Clinic:**  
1835 Gilmore Ave, Lakeland, FL 33805

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## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO SAVE A LIFE



Crisis Line: 863.519.3744  
Toll-free: 800.627.5906  
Access to Care:  
863.248.3311