

# NCVRC Distributes NARCAN Free of Charge!

## RECOGNIZING AN OPIOID OVERDOSE

During an overdose, opiates overwhelm certain receptors in the brain, interrupting a key part of the body's impulse to breathe. Breathing slows dangerously or stops. Reversing this process quickly is crucial because without breathing and oxygen, brain damage or death can occur. Quickly recognizing the signs of an opioid overdose and acting appropriately could make all the difference.

### SIGNS INCLUDE:

- ✿ Will not wake up or respond to your voice or touch
- ✿ Breathing is very slow, irregular or has stopped
- ✿ Center part of their eye is very small — sometimes called “pinpoint pupils”
- ✿ Fingernails and lips turning blue or purple
- ✿ Slow heartbeat and/or low blood pressure



## WHAT IS NARCAN® NASAL SPRAY?

NARCAN® (naloxone HCl) Nasal Spray is the first and only FDA-approved nasal form of naloxone for the emergency treatment of a known or suspected opioid overdose.

NARCAN® counteracts the life-threatening effects of opioid overdose. Since most accidental overdoses occur in a home setting, it was developed for first responders, as well as family, friends, and caregivers.

NARCAN® is not a substitute for emergency medical care. Always get help immediately, even if the person wakes up because they may relapse into respiratory depression. The use of NARCAN® may result in symptoms of acute opioid withdrawal. **Administer in accordance with the Instructions for Use. Repeated doses may be necessary.**

For more information, visit [NARCAN.com](http://NARCAN.com), call or stop by:

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