

North Carolina State Health Director's Standing Order for Naloxone

This standing order signed by the North Carolina (N.C.) State Health Director authorizes any pharmacist practicing in the state of N.C. and licensed by the N.C. Board of Pharmacy to dispense the following Naloxone products to persons as directed below.

Naloxone HCl Dispensing Protocol			
Eligible Candidates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Persons who voluntarily request Naloxone and are at risk of experiencing an opiate-related overdose, including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Current illicit or non-medical opioid users or persons with a history of such use – Persons with a history of opioid intoxication or overdose and/or recipients of emergency medical care for acute opioid poisoning – Persons with a high dose opioid prescription (>50 morphine mg equivalents per day) – Persons with an opioid prescription and known or suspected concurrent alcohol use – Persons from opioid detoxification and mandatory abstinence programs – Persons entering methadone maintenance treatment programs (for addiction or pain) – Persons with opioid prescription and smoking/COPD or other respiratory illness or obstruction – Persons with an opioid prescription who also suffer from renal dysfunction, hepatic disease, cardiac disease, HIV/AIDS – Persons who may have difficulty accessing emergency medical services – Persons enrolled in prescription lock in programs ▪ Persons who voluntarily request Naloxone and are the family member or friend of a person at risk of experiencing an opiate-related overdose. ▪ Persons who voluntarily request Naloxone and are in the position to assist a person at risk of experiencing an opiate-related overdose. 		
Route(s) of Administration	Intranasal (IN) <i>Preferred method</i>		Intramuscular (IM) Inject into shoulder or thigh
Medication and Required Device for Administration	Naloxone HCl 1 mg/mL Inj. 2 x 2 mL as pre-filled Luer-Lock syringes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dispense 2 (two) doses 2 (two) x Intranasal Mucosal Atomizing Devices (MAD 300) Available from: Teleflex (866-246-6990) or Safety Works, Inc. (800-723-3892)	Narcan® 4 mg/0.1 mL Nasal Spray <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dispense 1 x two-pack 	Naloxone HCl 0.4mg/mL Inj. 2 x 1mL single dose vials (SDV) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dispense 2 (two) SDV 2 (two) x intramuscular (IM) syringe, 3mL, 25 G, 1 inch
Directions for Use	Spray 1 mL in each nostril. Repeat after 3 minutes if no or minimal response.	Administer a single spray of NARCAN® in one nostril. Repeat after 3 minutes if no or minimal response.	Inject 1 mL IM in shoulder or thigh. Repeat after 3 minutes if no or minimal response.
Refills	PRN		
Contraindications	A history of known hypersensitivity to Naloxone or any of its components		
Patient Education	Every person dispensed Naloxone under this standing order shall receive education regarding the risk factors of overdose, signs of an overdose, overdose response steps, and the use of Naloxone. Examples of educational materials that incorporate the above information may be found at www.naloxonesaves.org .		
Notification of Participation	Pharmacies choosing to participate in Naloxone distribution under the authority of this standing order shall notify the Division of Public Health when initiating their participation; see directions for notification at www.naloxonesaves.org .		



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Date
 This order is effective immediately upon signing and may be revised or revoked by the State Health Director according to their discretion.