Opioid Overdose Prevention/ Naloxone (Narcan) Training



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Objectives and Overview

In this presentation you will learn...

- Opioid History
- What Opioids are
- Suicide and Opioids
- What Narcan is
- How to identify an overdose
- How to administer Naloxone (Narcan)
- CT Protective Legislation
- Resources



How Did We Get Here?

<u>3 Waves:</u>

- 1st Wave: 1999 with prescription opioids...
 - *Overprescribing, little knowledge of addiction, expensive on streets
- 2nd Wave: 2010 heroin...
 - *Cheaper than pills
- 3rd Wave: 2013 synthetic opioids, primarily illicitly manufactured fentanyl (IMF)
 - *Stronger, dangerous, cheaper to buy and make



Connecticut and Local Data: Overdose, Unintentional Drug Death, Other Drug Data

- **1,372** drug overdose deaths in 2020
- **14.3% increase** in drug overdose deaths in 2020 compared to 2019
- Lethal combination of xylazine and fentanyl continued to be a problem in 2020. There were 141 confirmed cases in 2020 compared to 70 in 2019. In 2021 so far, 37 deaths have been attributed to this combination.
- Fentanyl continues to be a problem. The average percentage of fentanyl-involved deaths was 85%, which is a 3% increase from 2019. As of 2021, 80% of fatal overdoses have been attributed to fentanyl.



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Number of Drug Overdose Deaths, by Month, Connecticut, 2019 - March 2021*



The Local Landscape: WFD Narcan Usage



Figure #1 - Individual

• 2016



The Local Landscape

Waterbury Police Reported OPIOID OVERDOSES

Non-Fatal year to date (YTD) 2021: 182 (YTD) 2020: 141

Fatal year to date (YTD) 2021: 27*** autopsies pending

2020 (YTD): 33

2021 NARCAN Deployments by PD: 274 doses

Total **Non-Fatal** 2020: 529 Total **Fatal** 2020: 94

Current as of 5/12/2021



What is an Opioid?

- Chemically/synthetically made and interact with opioid receptors on nerve cells in body and brain
- Activate pleasure part of the brain and relieve pain intensity
- Examples: heroin, fentanyl, prescription pain relievers such as: oxycodone (OxyContin), hydrocodone (Vicodin),
 Percocet etc.



Examples of Opioids					
Heroin	Codeine	Morphine	Opana (oxymorphone)	Fentanyl	Kadian (morphine)
Dilaudid (hydromorphone)	MSContin (morphine)	Methadone	Lortab (acetaminophen and hydrocodone)	Hydrocodone	Norco (acetaminophen and hydrocodone)
Oxycodone	Vicodin (acetaminophen and hydrocodone)	OxyContin (oxycodone)	Tylenol 3 (acetaminophen, caffeine, codeine)	Percocet (oxycodone and acetaminophen)	Roxicodone (oxycodone)

Where are people getting opioids?



11.5 Million People Aged 12 or Older Who Misused Prescription Pain Relievers in the Past Year

Heroin and Fentanyl Quantity Comparison

*This can be a potential lethal dose depending on tolerance level of opioids



<u>Who</u> is at risk for an overdose?

- Seniors prescribed multiple medications
- Chronic pain patients on long-term opioids
- Persons with suicidal tendencies
- Persons with decreased tolerance
- Young adults (18-25) who use at higher rates



<u>What</u> Increases Overdose risk?

- Decreased tolerance
- Using alone
- Mixing: opioids, especially with benzodiazepines and/or alcohol
- Quality/strength=unpredictable
- Other health issues
- Previous overdose
- Route of administration: IV and smoking increase risk



Opioids and Suicide

Recent research shows that 20-25% of overdose deaths are perceived as suicide deaths.



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Perceived as a burden, Struggle with living situations, financial situations, and loss of connection with family and friends



Opioid users have increased exposure to self-harm

Individuals with SUD are 10-14x more likely to contemplate, attempt or die by suicide

LGBTQ+ and Veteran communities

Lethal Triad= Upset Person + Impaired Thinking + Access to Lethal Means



Naloxone (Narcan) Administration



What is Naloxone (Narcan)?

- Prescription medication
 - -Pharmacists can prescribe and give it to you on the spot with education
- Only has an effect if person has an opioid in the system
 Safe
- Cannot get high from it

 Has no potential for abuse
 Causes withdrawal



How does it work?

- In an overdose, the body's drive to breath is diminished
 - -People die from lack of oxygen over a 1-3 hour time period
- "Steals the spot" on brain receptor for 20-90 minutes
 - -Breathing resumes while Narcan lasts
- Works ONLY on opioids





Response Steps

Recognize OD

Call 911

Administer Naloxone

Recovery Position



Recognize an Overdose

- Unresponsive/minimally responsive
- Blue or gray face, especially fingernails and lips
- Shallow breathing with rate less than 10 breaths per minute or not breathing
- Pinpoint pupils
- Loud, uneven snoring or gurgling noises
- Other: known user, track marks, syringes, pills or pill bottles, info from bystanders



Try to rouse them				
Ask	Check	CALL		
"Are you okay?" Call their names and shake them	Check for pain response: rub hard up and down on the person's sternum with your knuckles	IF NO RESPONSE: CALL 911		

Call 911

PROVIDE AS MUCH INFO AS POSSIBLE

TELL THEM THE PERSON ISN'T BREATHING OR IS HAVING TROUBLE BREATHING, THIS MAKES THE CALL A PRIORITY

DESCRIBE EXACTLY WHERE THE PERSON IS LOCATED

THEY MAY PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONS



Types of Naloxone



Intramuscular Administration

Intramuscular administration:







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Inject 1cc/mL in large muscle.



Intramuscular Administration

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Intranasal Administration



Intranasal Administration

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Two Pack

NARCAN[®](naloxone HCI) NASAL SPRAY4 mg

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This box contains two (2) 4-mg doses of natioxons HCI in 0.1 mL of nasel spray.

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ADMINISTERING NARCAN® NASAL SPRAY:

Follow this step-by-step guide to using NARCAN® Nasal Spray in the event of an opioid overdose.

PEEL



Peel back the package to remove the device. Hold the device with your thumb on the bottom of the plunger and two fingers on the nozzle. PLACE



Place and hold the tip of the nozzle in either nostril until your fingers touch the bottom of the patient's nose. PRESS



Press the plunger firmly to release the dose into the patient's nose.





After Administration

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Usually revive in 2-3 minutes, feeling sick and not realizing they overdosed



Dazed and/or confused; might be in withdrawal, only about 1% are agitated

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If person does not respond to Naloxone within 2-3 minutes, give second dose



Person could re-overdose based on how much they used and how long Naloxone lasts; do NOT let them use more



Storage and Expiration

Store in moderate temperatures

Out of direct sunlight

Not in refrigerator

Generally expires after 12-24 months

*Any Narcan that expired Oct. 2020 or prior is granted additional 12 months of shelf life. -FDA



Review of what we learned

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* NARCAN[®](naloxone HCI) NASAL SPRAY 4mg

NARCAN[®] Nasal Spray delivers a consistent, concentrated 4mg dose of naloxone (HCI) that can reverse the effects of a life-threatening opioid overdose in minutes.

CT Laws and Legislation

- PA 11-210: Good Samaritan Law
- <u>PA 14-61</u>: Effective 2014. Person administering protected
- <u>PA 16-43</u>: Effective 2017. 7 day limit on opioid prescribing
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 - -Revised limit on Prescribing Opioids to Minors from 7 to 5 days
- Voluntary Non-Opioid Directive Form

*For more information, please call The Office of Injury Prevention (860) 509-8251



Prevention

- Safe storage and disposal of medications
- <u>Storage</u>: lock boxes (away from others)
- <u>Disposal</u>: Local Drop Boxes (PD, Pharmacies?)
- Medication disposal bags (Deterra)
 *DO NOT throw directly into trash or toilet!





www.norasaves.com

NORA Saves

NORA is a free app from the Connecticut Department of Public Health. Use NORA to prevent, treat, and report opioid overdose.













How to Give Naloxone



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