**MGL Part I Title XVI Ch 112 Sect 12FF:**

*Any person who, in good faith, attempts to render emergency care by administering naloxone or any other opioid antagonist, as defined in section 19B of chapter 94C, to a person reasonably believed to be experiencing an opiate-related overdose, shall not be liable for acts or omissions resulting from the attempt to render this emergency care; provided, however, that this section shall not apply to acts of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.*

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| **Naloxone/Opioid Resources** | * + [Stop an Overdose with Narcan® | Mass.gov](https://www.mass.gov/stop-an-overdose-with-narcanr)   + [Protect Your Kids from Prescription Drug Use | Mass.gov](https://www.mass.gov/protect-your-kids-from-prescription-drug-use)   + [Understanding the Opioid Overdose Epidemic | CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/opioids/basics/epidemic.html) |

***Narcan Helpline: 800-327-5050***

**Two free, comprehensive online trainings on Opioid Epidemic and Substance Use Disorder are available through the Local Public Health Institute (LPHI):**

[Opioid Epidemic and Substance Use Disorder : Local Public Health in Action](https://sites.bu.edu/masslocalinstitute/2021/02/10/opioid-epidemic-and-substance-use-disorder-local-public-health-in-action/)

[Opioid Epidemic and Substance Use Disorder : A Primer for MA Boards of Health](https://sites.bu.edu/masslocalinstitute/2021/02/17/opioid-epidemic-and-substance-use-disorder-local-public-health-in-action-2/)

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   1. **Individual**
   2. **Group**

Ideally, as PHN you will collaborate and work closely with the Prevention Outreach Coordinator (POC) in your municipality. If your community is able to form a multi-municipal health department coalition, this provides a teamwork necessary to develop, publicize and implement a program to support a wider distribution of Naloxone (Narcan) to those who need it. Here is an example of how 4 communities teamed up to form their program: [Health departments equipping public with Narcan (wcvb.com)](https://www.wcvb.com/article/health-departments-equipping-public-with-narcan/19655468).

All Forms and PowerPoints embedded in this chapter are templates and may be modified to fit the needs of your environment.

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**Naloxone** (also known by the brand name Narcan) is a medication called an “opioid antagonist” and is used to counter the effects of opioid overdose (eg, fentanyl or heroin). It is used to counteract life-threatening depression of the central nervous system and respiratory system, allowing an overdose victim to breathe normally. **Naloxone only works if a person has opioids in their system**; the medication has no effect if opioids are absent. **Naloxone has no potential for abuse**. It is a temporary drug that wears off in 30-90 minutes.

1. **ESTABLISHING YOUR NALOXONE TRAINING & DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM**

In order to set up and operate a Naloxone Training & Distribution Program, you will need to:

* Apply and maintain a **MCSR Registration**. Each municipality and non-municipal public agency needs a single Massachusetts Controlled Substances Registration (MCSR) for their public employees to administer naloxone or other approved opioid antagonists. To do this, go to: [MCSR for Naloxone | Mass.gov](https://www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-renew-or-amend-your-mcsr-for-naloxone)
* Purchase **Narcan Nasal Spray 4mg**, which can be obtained through the MDPH. To do this, go to: [Bulk Purchasing of Naloxone | Mass.gov](https://www.mass.gov/service-details/bulk-purchasing-of-naloxone)
* Obtain **Standing Orders** for administration and distribution in the community should be updated and renewed annually. See Standing Order template:



1. **NALOXONE TRAINING PROCEDURE**

**Individual**

Naloxone (Narcan) training may be offered to any interested individual adult by appointment.

You will need **Registration Forms** and **Narcan Kits.**  (See below)

Each Narcan Kit has:

* 2 doses **Narcan Nasal Spray 4mg**
* Gloves
* Face shield
* Instruction guide

1. Resident fills out **Registration Form,** using confidential enrollment code (eg, first 2 letters of mother’s maiden name and day of birth)

2. PHN gives training and explains contents of Narcan Kit (See Opioid Overdose Responder Training doc, embedded below)





3. If returning to get refill, have resident fill out **Refill Form** only. No further training is required, although they may want a refresher. 

**Group**

POC and PHN may provide group trainings to businesses, community organizations, and municipal departments. Narcan Kits are distributed according to designated locations determined by the group, for general availability to employees (eg: one Kit may be placed at a designated location on each floor of the Town Library)

1. Set up training with group.
2. POC and PHN co-teach, using Powerpoint presentation (see embedded sample Training PPT)
3. Attendees **Sign In**, and fill out **Evaluation** at end of training 

