

School Naloxone Opioid Overdose Training

Emergency Response and Preparedness
Training for School Staff



Course Overview

Drug overdose remains the leading cause of accidental death in the United States, with nearly 80,500 lives lost in 2024. Among youth and young adults aged 15–24, overdose deaths have risen 147% since the start of the opioid crisis.

The School Naloxone Opioid Overdose Training is designed specifically for school personnel to support overdose prevention and emergency response within school settings. This course addresses the importance of having a school-based opioid emergency response plan and prepares participants to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose and administer the life-saving medication naloxone.

What People Are Saying

"It was an excellent example and reminder of how opioid addiction can impact anyone, even those you'd least expect. We, as healthcare professionals, need to have a drastic mindset change. We need to realize this seriously affects anyone from any walk of life, and we need to take steps to combat this growing issue" - School Nurse

- Prerequisite learning on substance use disorder, stigma, and early screening
- Explain the need for school-based opioid emergency response planning and preparedness.
- Learn how to assess and identify the signs of an opioid overdose.
- Discuss the role of harm reduction in the overall opioid public health crisis solutions / action plan / strategy.
- Demonstrate how to administer the opioid overdose reversal drug naloxone.

97% of training participants are confident / very confident in their ability to recognize the signs and symptoms of an overdose and 98% are confident / very confident in their ability to administer naloxone.

Training presenting information that is helpful and relevant, 4.64 Rating (5-point scale). 4.94 of training participants would recommend this training to other school healthcare or safety professionals.

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- I. Prerequisite Learning: Substance Use Disorder
 - A. Brief Review of Addiction / Substance Use Disorder
 - B. The Necessity to Treat Addiction as a Chronic Disease
- II. Prerequisite: Stigma and Substance Use Disorder
 - A. Stigma and SUD
 - B. Perspective: Marvetta
 - C. Perspective: Matt
- III. Prerequisite: Screening Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)
- IV. School Naloxone Opioid Overdose Training
 - A. The Need for an Opioid Overdose School Emergency Response Plan
 - B. Perspective: Amy
 - C. Assess and Identify the Signs of an Opioid Overdose
 - D. Naloxone Administration – Reversing an Opioid Overdose
 - E. Intranasal Naloxone Demonstration
 - F. Integrate Opioid Overdose Response Into School

About Overdose Lifeline

Overdose Lifeline, Inc. (ODL) is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit dedicated to helping individuals, families and communities affected by the disease of addiction / substance use disorder.

ODL's naloxone training has helped more than 1,000,000 people in 36+ U.S. states learn how to recognize and respond to an opioid overdose.

Recommended Youth-Focused Programs

This is Not About Drugs Opioids (TINAD) is a universal program that addresses youth substance use with an emphasis on opioids (prescription pain medication, fentanyl and heroin). Used by school and community partners in 38+ U.S. states to prevent opioid substance use, educate on the risks of fentanyl, how to recognize opioid overdose symptoms, the basics of the opioid reversal drug naloxone (NARCAN), the importance of calling 911, and more.

NEW This is Not About Drugs Perspectives Building on the success of the flagship This is Not About Drugs Opioid prevention program, Overdose Lifeline has created a new youth prevention program which goes beyond opioids to take a comprehensive look at addiction, addressing the underlying motivations behind substance use and the associated with experimentation.

PreVenture is an evidence-based prevention program that uses personality targeted interventions to promote mental health and skill development and delay youth substance use. PreVenture incorporates motivational interviewing and cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) to help youth better understand and manage the aspects of their personalities associated with risky behaviors and substance use.

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