

A **REVIVE!** kit bag includes:

- Latex-free gloves
- Rescue breathing masks
- Mucosal atomizer devices
- Instruction card
- *I've received naloxone!* stickers

**REVIVE!** certifies Trainers who lead Lay Rescuer training events in their communities, providing the tools and knowledge necessary to save the life of someone experiencing an opioid overdose emergency.

**REVIVE!** works with law enforcement, first responders, nonprofit organizations, stakeholder communities, schools, and community members to make this life-saving medication available to as many people as possible.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

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(804)786-0464

<http://www.dbhds.virginia.gov/individuals-and-families/substance-abuse/revive>

To find treatment for substance abuse in your area, call the SAMHSA Treatment Locator:

1-800-662-HELP (4357)

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**Saving lives, saving futures!**



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# REVIVE!

OPIOID OVERDOSE AND  
NALOXONE EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA

...is Virginia's opioid overdose and naloxone education program and is part of the Commonwealth's response to the epidemic of opioid drug use and related deaths in Virginia. REVIVE! trains individuals to be prepared for, recognize, and respond to an opioid overdose emergency with the administration of Naloxone.

REVIVE! is managed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and was initially authorized as a pilot project by the 2013 General Assembly that operated in the Richmond and far Southwest Virginia regions. In 2015, the law was modified to expand REVIVE! from a pilot project to a statewide program, offering trainings to professionals as well as private citizens throughout Virginia. The 2015 law also provides immunity from civil liability for anyone who prescribes, dispenses, or administers naloxone. The law also allows for pharmacists to dispense naloxone under a standing order in accordance with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy.

The 2015 General Assembly also passed a law commonly known as Safe Reporting. This law allows an individual to assert an affirmative defense for a specific set of charges if those charges were the result of reporting an overdose emergency to law enforcement or 911.

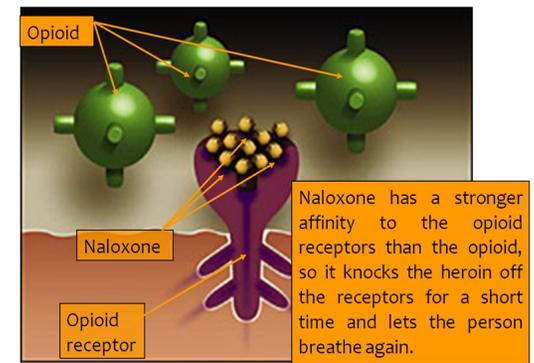
Naloxone is a medication that reverses the effects of an opioid overdose emergency. Opioids include heroin as well as prescription pain medicines, such as:

- Fentanyl
- Hydrocodone
- Methadone
- Morphine
- Oxycodone

When a person uses too much of an opioid, their central nervous system becomes depressed, and breathing and heartbeat stop. Naloxone stops the effects of the opioid, allowing the individual's breathing and heartbeat to resume.

#### NALOXONE

- ✓ Is safe to possess
- ✓ Requires the same dosage for adults and children
- ✓ Has no potential for abuse
- ✓ Poses no risk or harm from accidental administration
- ✓ Has saved more than 26,000 lives nationwide since 1996
- ✓ Is supported by:
  - World Health Organization
  - Office of National Drug Control Policy
  - United States Office of the Attorney General
  - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
  - American Association of Poison Control Centers
  - American College of Emergency Physicians



REVIVE! provides training and kits at no charge to anyone interested in becoming a Lay Rescuer. REVIVE! Lay Rescuers learn:

- ◆ How naloxone works to stop opioid overdose emergencies (OOEs)
- ◆ Risk factors for OOE
- ◆ The difference between someone who is high and someone who has overdosed
- ◆ Myths about overdose reversal
- ◆ How to administer naloxone:
  1. Check for responsiveness and administer initial rescue breaths
  2. Call 911
  3. Rescue breathing
  4. Administer naloxone
  5. Continue rescue breathing
  6. Follow-up and next steps