

Pharmacies are encouraged to review the current map locator tool to check if they are listed. The map locator tool, which is updated regularly, can be accessed at www.ontario.ca/page/where-get-free-naloxone-kit <<https://www.ontario.ca/page/where-get-free-naloxone-kit>> .

If your pharmacy participates in the Ontario Naloxone Program for Pharmacies (ONPP) and would like to be added to the map locator tool, please send an email request to PublicDrugPrgrms.moh@ontario.ca <<mailto:PublicDrugPrgrms.moh@ontario.ca>> .

In the event that your pharmacy would like to be removed from the map locator tool, please send an email request and rationale (e.g., change in pharmacy operation, no trained staff, etc.) to PublicDrugPrgrms.moh@ontario.ca <<mailto:PublicDrugPrgrms.moh@ontario.ca>> .

For either request, please provide the following information:

- Your name
- Your pharmacy name and full address, including contact information (e.g., email, phone, fax)

What is included in a publicly funded naloxone kit?

Each nasal spray naloxone kit includes:

- 1 hard case (for example, a zippered hard black case with red "naloxone" cross)
- 2 doses of naloxone hydrochloride intra-nasal spray (4 mg/0.1ml)
- 1 rescue breathing barrier
- 1 pair of non-latex gloves
- 1 card that identifies the person trained to give the naloxone
- 1 insert with instructions (English and French)

Each injectable naloxone kit includes:

- 1 hard case (for example, a zippered hard black case with red "naloxone" cross)
- 2 (0.4 mg/1 ml) vials or ampoules (a small glass container) of naloxone
- 2 safety-engineered syringes with 25g, 1" needles attached
- 2 alcohol swabs
- 2 devices (known as "breakers," "snappers," or "openers") for opening ampoules safely)
- 1 rescue breathing barrier
- 1 pair of non-latex gloves
- 1 card that identifies the person who is trained to give the naloxone
- 1 insert with instructions (English and French)

What other information about distributing naloxone kits do participating pharmacies need to know?

Through the Ontario Naloxone Program for Pharmacies (ONPP), participating pharmacies can distribute publicly-funded injectable naloxone kits or intra-nasal naloxone spray kits. Additional details are as follows:

Pharmacies are to procure naloxone and the required supplies to assemble the injectable naloxone kit and/or pre-assembled kits through their usual suppliers. The naloxone kit will be assembled by a pharmacist, or a person under the supervision of a pharmacist.

The Ontario Pharmacists Association has also compiled a list of the required kit components, as well as some suppliers for these items, in the event that

pharmacists are unable to procure some or all of the elements through their usual suppliers. See details on [the kit contents](#). <#5>

The list can be accessed at opatoday.com/naloxone <<https://opatoday.com/naloxone/>>.

What can be done with naloxone kits that are expired or unused?

Naloxone kits that are expired or unused can be brought to any pharmacy for safe disposal in Ontario.

Individuals, including patients, are encouraged to talk to their pharmacist about disposal of unused or expired medications, that may include unused or expired naloxone kits. Most Ontario pharmacies are able to accept such medications, as well as sharps (e.g., needles/syringes).

How many naloxone kits can be distributed through the ONPP at one time?

Through the Ontario Naloxone Program for Pharmacies (ONPP), eligible individuals may receive up to two (2) naloxone kits at a time on **an individual basis**.

Note: For the ONPP, it is up to the pharmacist's professional judgement on providing naloxone kits.

Do individuals need to show their Ontario health card at a participating pharmacy to receive a naloxone kit?

As of March 2018, an Ontario health card is **no** longer required to receive free naloxone kits from a participating pharmacy. More specifically, pharmacists may provide naloxone kits to Ontarians who meet the eligibility criteria and who do not have an Ontario health card or to those who do not wish to provide identification.

The intent is for pharmacists to ask for a health card when distributing naloxone kits. Should the individual not have a health card or does not wish to present it, pharmacists can still provide a naloxone kit based on their professional judgement.

Under the ONP, Ontarians can also receive a naloxone kit without a health card from community-based organizations.

To find out where to get free naloxone kits (includes both ONP and ONPP), please refer to the following map locator at: www.ontario.ca/page/where-get-free-naloxone-kit <<http://www.ontario.ca/page/where-get-free-naloxone-kit>>.

Why do Ontario's naloxone programs provide naloxone in different formats?

Both injectable and nasal spray naloxone are effective at reversing the effects of an opioid overdose, and the provision of both through the Ontario Naloxone Program (ONP) and Ontario Naloxone Program for Pharmacies (ONPP) provide Ontarians with options based on their preference.

I prescribe opioids to my patients. Should these patients obtain a naloxone kit?

Many people use prescription opioids safely. It is important that you discuss overdose risks with your patients. If you have concerns about a particular patient who may be at risk of overdosing, you can direct them to the government's [naloxone programs web page](https://www.ontario.ca/page/get-naloxone-kits-free) <<https://www.ontario.ca/page/get-naloxone-kits-free>> to find the nearest naloxone kit distribution site.

Can the staff at my organization be trained on how to respond to an opioid overdose?