

## KCA TOOL BOX TALK: How to use Narcan

Naloxone acts in **two to three minutes**. If the person does not wake up in three minutes, bystanders should give a second dose. (Rescue breathing should be done while you wait for the naloxone to take effect so that the person gets oxygen to his or her brain.)

Narcan doesn't have an effect on a person who's sober from opioids. ("Sober" means they don't have any opioids in their system.) If you suspect, but aren't certain, that a person has overdosed on opioids, you should still give them a dose of Narcan.

How to A	dminister Nasal Spray Narcan:
	<ul> <li>Check if person is breathing</li> </ul>
	Open the narcan
	Spray into the nose
	Continue rescue breathing
	Give another dose if necessary
How to A	dminister Injectable Naloxone:
	Check if person is breathing
	Prepare the injection
	Inject a straight injection into muscle
_L	Wait for it to take effect
	Inject another dose if necessary

The tip of the nozzle of Nasal Spray Narcan should be gently inserted into one nostril, until your fingers on either side of the nozzle are against the bottom of the person's nose. Press the plunger firmly to give the dose of Narcan® Nasal Spray. Remove the Narcan® Nasal Spray from the nostril after giving the dose.

Injectable Naloxone should go into the muscle of the thigh, buttocks, or arm. Don't insert the needle at an angle, administer the Narcan in a straight shot. Wait for it to take effect. As with the nasal spray, the injection of Narcan can take several minutes to take effect.

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