COMMON REASONS FOR AN OVERDOSE

- The mixing of prescription painkillers and/or heroin with benzodiazepines (benzos), cocaine, and/or alcohol
- Fentanyl is unknowingly cut with the drug that is being used.
- If not have used for a while, your tolerance can be low. Start small.
- When using, there is always a
 possibility of an opioid overdose.
 Use with others and have Narcan
 on hand when possible.

ABOUT NALOXONE (NARCAN):

- Delivery: intramuscular, intranasal, or intravenous
- Wears off in 30-90 minutes
- Only effective in reversing opioid overdoses
- No effect on someone who hasn't taken opioids

The best way to avoid abscesses, overdose, Hepatitis C, HIV, or other health conditions is to stop using. You can always ask a staff person for information or assistance on safe practices for drug use, treatment and safe sex practices.

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*HIV, Hep C, and STI Testing Available

OPIOID OVERDOSE RESPONSE

Noticing signs and know the steps on how to handle an overdose.









HOW TO TELL IF SOMEONE IS OVERDOSING:



Not breathing or shallow breathing



Gurgling sounds or snoring loudly



Skin feels clammy and cold



Lips and nails are blue



Pinpoint Pupils

WHAT TO DO:



Stimulate! Shake and shout.







Call 911, give Narcan Whichever is quickest!



Rescue breathing + Recovery position



Evaluate. Give additional Narcan doses



Don't leave! Stay with person until help arrives

RESCUE BREATHING

- 1. Place person on back
- 2. Tilt chin up to open airway
- 3. Check airway: Clear anything in mouth
- 4. Pinch nose, give two breaths
- 5. Give two quick breaths every five (5) seconds



WATCH FOR CHEST RISING.

RECOVERY POSITION

- Hand should support head
- Knee prevents body from rolling onto stomach
- Head should be tilted back slightly to open airway.

