

	LOWER MERION TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT Ardmore, Pennsylvania	
	Policy 3.21.11	
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Naloxone		All Personnel
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By Authority of:		
		Superintendent of Police

PURPOSE

To establish guidelines governing the utilization of Naloxone as administered by members of this Department in order to reduce fatalities due to opioid-involved overdoses.

POLICY

It is the policy of the Department that officers be trained in the proper use and deployment of Naloxone according to the laws of the Commonwealth.

PROCEDURES

A. Deployment

1. Officers will ensure that Naloxone kits are stored in a manner that makes them readily available to trained personnel, properly safeguarded from extreme temperature changes and away from direct sunlight that can have an adverse effect on the reliability of the medication.
2. Naloxone kits contain two doses of Narcan nasal spray (4 mg each).

B. Naloxone Use

1. Officers will use universal precautions and protections from blood-borne pathogens and communicable diseases when administering Naloxone.
2. Officers will administer the medication following the established training guidelines subsequent to a patient assessment; which may include but may not be limited to, determining unresponsiveness and other indications of an opioid-involved overdose.

3. Officers will inform the Communications Center that the patient is in a potential overdose state and to request paramedics and an ambulance if not already done.
4. Officers will follow the Naloxone protocol and training guidelines.
5. Officers will immediately inform responding medical personnel that they have administered Naloxone along with the time, method and volume used.

C. Maintenance / Replacement.

1. Naloxone kits will be carried and maintained in vacant house books to ensure consistent and proper temperature and sunlight levels to avoid degrading the effectiveness of the Naloxone.
2. Used (single use), lost, damaged or expired Naloxone kits will be replaced by the officer from Department reserves.

D. Documentation

1. Following Naloxone administration, the officer will submit an incident report, utilizing the secondary code 1801, detailing the nature of the incident, the care the patient received and the fact that the Naloxone was deployed. The following forms must be completed, and documentation of completion must be included in the initial investigation report:
 - a. The [Montgomery County Emergency Medical Services Naloxone Reporting Form](#) and emailed to [REDACTED] or faxed to [REDACTED].
 - b. The [Montgomery County Detective Unit Overdose Contact Sheet](#) and emailed to [REDACTED] or faxed to [REDACTED].