





Naloxone Training for Pharmacists

Presenter:

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Event Overview

Naloxone Saves Lives!

In 2014, 384 Victorians died from drug overdose, of which 186 involved opioid analgesics and 135 involved heroin².

Naloxone is a life-saving medicine used for the treatment of opioid overdose, with minimal side effects and no potential for abuse¹.

Since 1 February 2016 Naloxone has been available over-the-counter as a *Pharmacist Only* medication (Schedule 3) as well as *Prescription Only* (Schedule 4). This change facilitates access of Naloxone to peers, family members and carers for use as a first aid response to opioid overdose.

This workshop will provide an overview of Naloxone, including the application, administration and availability, as well as resources and supports available. It will include discussion about a new formulation which is anticipated to be available in April 2017.

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Event Details

Date: Thursday, 6 April 2017

Venue: Eastern Melbourne PHN Box Hill

18-20 Prospect St Box Hill 3128 Banksia Room

Time: 6:30pm Registration & light catering

7:00pm - 8:00pm Program

Register now

Book:

RSVP: Monday, 3 April 2017

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Learning Outcomes

- Overview of Naloxone and the available formulations
- How to recognize and respond to an opioid overdose using Naloxone
- What resources and supports are available
- Overview of local Needle and Syringe programs (NSPs), Mobile Drug Safety Worker (MDSW) role and how these services can be utilised by health professionals.



