# DOPE PROJECT

OVERDOSE PREVENTION & NARCAN TRAINING

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# **ABOUT DOPE**

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# 2020 OVERDOSE STATISTICS



\*In 2020, we distributed over 50k kits.

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- Monitor the street drug supply
- Train service providers on overdose prevention
- Oversee overdose prevention in SROs

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SIMPLE, SAFE, & LEGAL

#### **SIMPLE**

• Use it if someone is 1) not breathing and 2) not responsive

#### **SAFE**

 Will not cause harm if someone is not overdosing

#### **LEGAL**

- California AB 635
  - Protects civil, criminal & professional liability
- SF Standing Order Prescription





## **DRUGS**

- Just Say No = Just Say Nothing
- Drugs reflect what we value
  - Caffeine = Work, Money
  - Cannabis = Relax
  - Alcohol = Socialize
  - Opioids = Pain relief

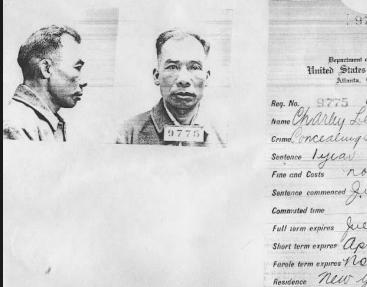
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# **OPIOIDS**

Regulated	Criminalized
Oxycontin Oxycodone Roxycodone Hydrocodone Hydromorphone Vicodin Percocet Tramadol Dilaudid Methadone Buprenorphine Suboxone	• • • •



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Laudanum is no more dangerous than many of the preparations sold as soothing syrups; it has the saving grace of the "poison" label. (By courtesy of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.)

# **OPIOIDS**

### **BRAIN**

- Opioids mimic endorphins
- Stimulates love, warmth, attachment, comfort & security

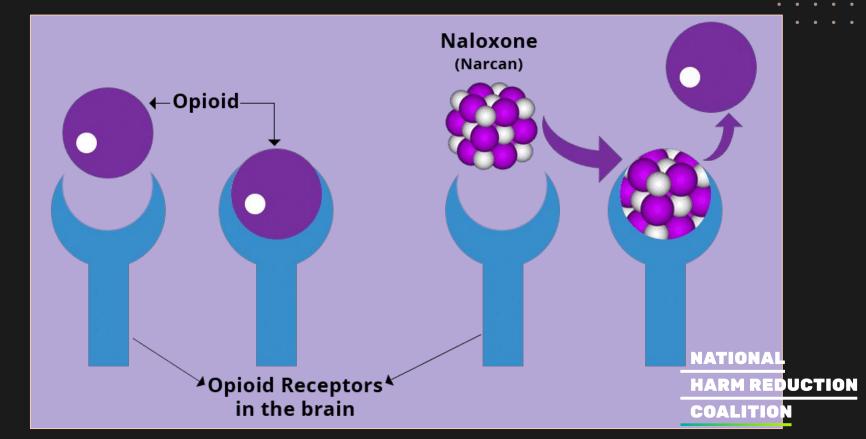
# DIGESTIVE SYSTEM

- Squeezes water out
- Leads to constipation

# RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

- Breathing slows down
- Deprives body of oxygen
- Leads to overdose death

# **NARCAN**



### **DRUGS**

### **OVERDOSE**

 A dose that overwhelms the body

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#### **TOLERANCE**

- The more you experience something, the more you get used to it
- A normal response in your brain & body's search for balance

#### **WITHDRAWAL**

 When something you've grown tolerant to, leaves, & you experience physical, mental, &/or emotional symptoms

# **DRUGS**





**OPIOID WITHDRAWAL** 

- Worst flu in life x 10
- Repeatedly hit by a train
- Bones aching
- Muscles cramping
- Skin on fire
- Nauseous
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Can't sleep
- More sensitive to pain



OPIOID WITHDRAWAL

- People we serve are likely experiencing withdrawal multiple times/day
- 2. The one side effect of narcan is it puts someone in withdrawal leads to a range of reactions
- It's important to know whether someone is just really high or overdosing





## HIGH OR OVERDOSING?

- Are they breathing?
- Are they responsive?

If YES to both, they are just high!

# IF HIGH

- Sedated
- Drooping
- Eyes fluttering or closed
- Mumbling
- Leaning forward

- Are they breathing?
- Are they responsive?

If YES to both, they are just high!





### IF OUTSIDE

- Look for intention
  - If sleeping, just let them sleep!
- If it doesn't look intentional
  - Verbal check-in
  - Physical check-in:
    - Gentle touch on back of the arm



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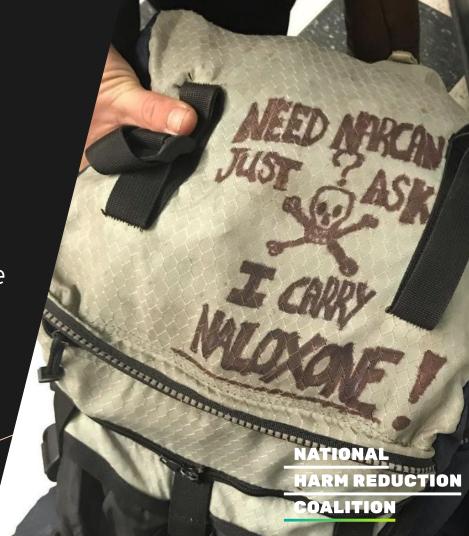
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# IF OVERDOSING

- Skin Color
  - Lighter skinned folks: pale or blue gray
  - Darker skinned folks: purple or ashen gray
- Snore Gurgle
  - Chest muscles can't contract





### **STIMULATE THEM!**

- Give them a chance to wake up before Narcan
- Verbal stimulation
  - "Hey, you're overdosing, you're not breathing!"
- Physical stimulation
  - Sternum rub aka Chest noogie
  - Mom pinch

# VERBAL NARCAN

- "Hey my friend you're overdosing, you're not breathing, if you don't wake up I'm gonna NARCAN you"
- People have traumatic experiences with Narcan
- Just because you didn't have to use narcan doesn't mean you didn't save their life!

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## **NARCAN THEM**

- Put it all the way up their nose!
- Time 1 dose every 2 minutes
  - Keeps it simple
  - Keeps you grounded

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## **RESCUE BREATHING**

#### Rescue breaths



Open airways by lifting the chin slightly



Pinch nose and give two rescue breaths

- CRUCIAL because the one thing they're missing is oxygen
- The law protects you for whatever boundaries you set for yourself



# **CALL 911**

- If you're by yourself
  - Give Narcan first before calling 911
  - Name, location, not breathing and not responsive
- If you're with a group
  - Delegate roles
- EMS usually takes 3-5mins to arrive, 6-8 mins tops

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Free & Open to All!

Enjoy BBQ by Mike, pizza, & refreshments

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### **PERSON WAKES UP!**

- Skin color returns to normal
- Snore gurgle
- Myth of people waking up violent, when they're really just disoriented.
  - They are waking up, flat on their back, dopesick, surrounded by strangers & being held down.
  - Many things are slamming into them all at once

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### **PERSON WAKES UP!**

- Gently welcome them back into consciousness
  - "Hey my friend, this is Frances, we saw you weren't breathing, we had to give you some Narcan. I'm so sorry you don't feel good."
- If people try to leave?
  - Be mindful of internalized stigma
  - Remind them narcan stays active
     90 mins, but will wear off in 20-30
     mins

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### RECAP

- If someone is overdosing, not breathing & not responsive
- Skin color changes & Snore gurgle
- Stimulation
  - Verbal stimulation
  - Physical stimulation: Chest noogie & Mom pinch
- Narcan
  - All the way up the nose
  - 1 dose every 2 minutes
- Rescue breathing
  - 1 breath every 5 seconds
- Call 911
- Be gentle with them, & with yourself



### **Need individual Narcan?**

CBHS Pharmacy

1380 Howard in SF, 10th & Market

Mon-Fri 9am-3:30pm

Questions: Call 415-255-3659

Need Narcan for your org?

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# Concerned about overdose? Want a free nasal Narcan kit?



#### Our friends at CBHS Pharmacy are happy to help!

Go to 1380 Howard Street (at 10th Street), to the pharmacy, they will train you and give you a FREE nasal naloxone kit. All you have to do is answer a few standard questions pharmacists are required to ask to dispense medication!

\*\*\*Syringe access and harm reduction programming is funded to serve our most vulnerable communities, and we need to reserve our resources for them. Please respect the privacy of harm reduction program participants if you are not a harm reduction program participant by getting your needs met at CBHS Pharmacy\*\*\*

Open Mon - Fri, 9am - 3:30pm

Have questions? Call 415-255-3659

Thank you for caring for your community!

