What is Naloxone?

- Naloxone (also known as Narcan) is a medication that can reverse an overdose from an opioid drug.
- Narcan blocks the effects of opioids on the brain and restores breathing in two to eight minutes.
- Narcan has been used safely by emergency medical professionals for more than 40 years.
- It has only one function to reverse the effects of opioids on the brain and respiratory system in order to prevent death.
- Narcan cannot be abused.
- If Narcan is given to a person who is not having an opioid overdose, it is harmless.
- If Narcan is given to a person who is dependent on opioids, it will produce withdrawal symptoms. Withdrawal, although uncomfortable, is not lifethreatening.
- Narcan <u>does not</u> reverse overdoses from non-opioid drugs, such as cocaine, benzodiazepines (e.g. Xanax, Klonopin, and Valium), methamphetamines, or alcohol.



To schedule a class please contact:

Portage County Health District 705 Oakwood Street 2nd floor Ravenna, OH 44266 330-296-9919 www.portagehealth.net

For more information or questions about Project DAWN please contact:

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Deaths Avoided With Naloxone

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What is Project DAWN?

Project DAWN is a community-based drug overdose education and Narcan (Naloxone) distribution program.

Participants attend a class to learn to:

- See the signs and symptoms of an overdose
- Know the different types of overdoses
- Do Rescue Breathing/Chest Compressions
- Call emergency medical services
- Give the Narcan Nasal Spray



Project DAWN is named in memory of Leslie Dawn Cooper, who struggled with addiction for years before dying of a witnessed opioid overdose on October 3,2009.

Project DAWN Kits

Participants who complete the class will be given a Project DAWN Kit.

Each Project DAWN Kit contains:

- 2 Narcan Nasal Sprays
- 1 face shield for rescue breathing
- Non-latex gloves
- Quick reference guide
- Portage County Services pocket guide





When are the Project DAWN classes?

Please call for a Curb-side appointment

Classes are held at the Portage County Health District 705 Oakwood Street Ravenna, Ohio 44266

330-296-9919

Ali Ext.129

An appointment is required!

An overdose is a medical emergency! Call 911.