

Manitoba Take Home Naloxone Program

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Registered distribution sites are required to practice according to the following criteria:

Take home naloxone kits are available for distribution to members of the public who are at risk of opioid toxicity AND family or friends who may witness opioid toxicity.

Proof of risk is not required to receive a kit

A maximum of 2 kits per person may be distributed. This supports people who may live far from a distribution site, and peer to peer distribution.

Kits must be provided at no cost to service recipients

Take-home naloxone kits are **not** for distribution to businesses, health care providers, or other organizations for use in the workplace

Brief training should be universally offered to all people receiving a take home naloxone kit, however training is not mandatory for receipt of a take home naloxone kit and can be declined by the individual.

- A training poster [How to Respond to Opioid Toxicity \(manitoba.ca\)](https://www.manitoba.ca/health/medication/naoxone/how_to_respond_to_opioid_toxicity.pdf) is available to support training, as well as the instruction insert within the take home naloxone kits.

Members of the public who report using a kit should be invited to provide anonymous information about the event using the following electronic form

- [Take Home Naloxone Kit Use Report \(office.com\)](https://www.manitoba.ca/health/medication/naoxone/take_home_naloxone_kit_use_report.pdf)
- This form is to be completed and submitted by distribution site staff, not community members. Use of this information is not required by distribution sites if not feasible for the practice setting.



Service Provision Requirements

Distribution sites will create a site-specific procedure for naloxone distribution and orient their service staff accordingly. Distribution sites shall ensure their service providers have adequate knowledge to provide take-home naloxone kits and overdose/poisoning response training to the public.

Health care professionals (e.g. nurses, doctors, pharmacists, paramedics, physician assistants) do not require additional training in order to distribute take home naloxone kits, unless determined by the provider themselves or the site coordinator.

Staff who are not health care professionals and are involved in take home naloxone kit distribution must review the [Training Manual: Overdose/Poisoning Recognition and Response \(manitoba.ca\)](#). This manual can also be used as a resource for health care professionals.

All registered distribution sites will be published on the [Naloxone Finder – Take Home Program | Health | Province of Manitoba](#) with the exception of approved non-public serving sites such as emergency departments, correctional facilities, or addictions/substance treatment programs.