

PROVIDER ALERT

OVERDOSE RESPONSE PROGRAM (ORP) ONLINE NALOXONE TRAINING CALENDAR

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The Overdose Response Program (ORP) has created an online calendar where members of the public can locate local naloxone training events.

Naloxone is an opioid antagonist that quickly and effectively reverses an overdose. It is a prescription medication available to people at risk for overdose or for those who are likely to be in a position to witness and respond to one. The calendar of trainings will help individuals to more easily locate upcoming ORP training in their area and directly connect with entities that are providing instruction.

As a provider, you and your staff, can use the calendar to connect consumers, patients, and family members to overdose response training. Once trained, ORP certificate holders can get naloxone at any participating pharmacy in Maryland through the statewide standing order, issued by the Deputy Secretary for Public Health Services, Dr. Howard Haft. The standing order allows naloxone to be dispensed to certificate holders without a prescription.

View the calendar here: <u>http://bha.dhmh.maryland.gov/NALOXONE/Pages/Training-</u><u>Calender.aspx</u>

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