

How to Obtain Naloxone in the State of California



Direct from a Pharmacy (no prescription needed)

California has a universal prescription for the entire state called a Standing Order. This means that anyone can obtain naloxone. Ask a pharmacist at a participating pharmacy and they can give it to you with a doctor's prescription.

Cost

- Medi-Cal: No cost for beneficiaries.
- Medicare: Standard co-pays or deductibles may apply.
- Private insurance: Most plans will cover the cost – call your insurance company to confirm coverage and any applicable co-pay.
- No Insurance: There may be out-of-pocket costs – call your local pharmacy in advance. Full coverage is offered by Medi-Cal and Medicare.

Community and Public Health Distribution

The Naloxone Distribute Project (NDP) is a state-funded initiative. It supplies free naloxone to various groups to distribute to the public. This includes harm reduction organizations, syringe service programs, community-based organizations, county public health departments, behavioral health agencies, libraries, and universities.

- To find a program near you
 - Call 2-1-1 or text your zip code to 898211.
 - Reach out to your local county health department.
 - Search online for Harm Reduction or Syringe Service program for your city or county.