

	<b>M11 - NALOXONE (NARCAN)</b>	
	MEDICATION STANDING ORDER	
Version date: 2023-07-21	Effective date: 2023-09-19 (0700 hours)	

INDICATIONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respiratory depression due to known or suspected opioid toxicity from ingestion or administration</li> </ul>

CONTRAINDICATIONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not applicable</li> </ul>

ROUTE (WORK SCOPE)	INITIAL DOSE	REPEAT DOSE
<b>INTRANASAL (EMR &amp; ABOVE)</b>	All ages - 2 mg (one autoinjector dose) <sup>1</sup>	Every 2 to 3 minutes as required (no maximum number of doses)
<b>INTRAMUSCULAR (PCP &amp; ABOVE)</b>	5 years & older - 0.4 to 2 mg	
	72 hours up to 5 years - 0.1 mg/kg (max = 2 mg/dose)	
<b>INTRAVENOUS (PCP &amp; ABOVE)</b>	5 years & older - 0.1 to 2 mg <sup>4</sup>	
	72 hours up to 5 years - 0.1 mg/kg (max = 2 mg/dose)	
<b>INTRAOSSEOUS (ICP &amp; ABOVE)</b>	5 years & older - 0.1 to 2 mg <sup>4</sup>	
	72 hours up to 5 years - 0.1 mg/kg (max = 2 mg/dose)	

NOTES
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>During the COVID pandemic IN administration requires extended PPE.</li> <li>If nasal spray is not available, administer 1 ml of injectable solution to each nostril delivered with mucosal atomizer device.</li> <li>Use caution when administering by IM route if known bleeding disorder or anticoagulation is present.</li> </ol>

4. For patients who are chronic opiate / opioid users, paramedics may titrate IV / IO naloxone to achieve adequate respirations without precipitating acute withdrawal.
5. During prolonged transports, repeat dosing (every 20 to 60 minutes) may be required if the duration of action of the opioid exceeds that of naloxone.
6. Multiple doses at the higher end of the dosing range may be required for known or suspected high potency opioids (eg. fentanyl, carfentanil).

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VERSION CHANGES (refer to X08 for change tracking)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revised administration table presents information for scope / route / dose more clearly</li> </ul>