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You can get naloxone at pharmacies, public health offices, and community organizations. Naloxone is also available through harm reduction services.

Find harm reduction services in New Mexico

A Dose of Reality Naloxone Locator

ARE THERE ANY ADVERSE EFFECTS FROM NALOXONE?

Opioid overdose complications, such as brain damage or death from lack of oxygen, are more alarming than potential side effects from naloxone administration.

Naloxone may cause opioid withdrawal symptoms such as: nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, chills, sweating, anxiety, and combativeness /disorientation. Serious side effects from naloxone, including allergic reaction, are very uncommon. Only in rare cases would naloxone cause acute opioid withdrawal symptoms such as body aches, increased heart rate, irritability, agitation, vomiting, diarrhea, or convulsions.

People who take opioids chronically are more likely to experience these effects. If naloxone is given to a person who has not taken opioids, it will not have any effect on that person.



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