

## WHAT IS NALOXONE?

- Naloxone is a safe and easy to use medication that reverses and blocks the effects of opioids.
- It can be administered by anyone (i.e. family member, friend, or bystander) to treat a known or suspected opioid overdose.
- It reverses the effects of opioids, but will not have an effect on an overdose caused by another substance (e.g. alcohol, benzodiazepines, stimulants, etc.).
- It is not safe to plan to administer naloxone on yourself. Tell trusted family, friends, and others about situations you are in that may cause the need to use naloxone, show them how to use it, and where you keep it in case of overdose.
- Pharmacies in New Mexico have a standing order to provide naloxone to community members and you can also contact your local public health office to obtain and learn how to use it.

