What Is Naloxone?

- Prescription medicine that reverses an opioid overdose
- Injectable or intranasal
- Wakes a person who is overdosing in 3-5 minutes and lasts 30-90 minutes
- Does not have psychoactive effects – does not make a person "high", no street value
- No side effects, even if the person is not overdosing
- Used routinely by EMS & ERs
- Shelf life of 18 months, store out of sunlight, heat, cold

Naloxone can be prescribed to ANYONE

Did your doctor discuss the risks of addiction with you?

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Massachusetts doctors discuss addiction with their patients less than the US average

Source: Boston Globe and Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Prescription Painkiller Abuse: Attributes among Adults in Massachusetts and the United States

Where to get Narcan

- Prescription → No
- Yes
- CVS (1 dose) → $20
- Walgreens (2 doses) → $50
- Stop & Shop → $50
- Heath Center (2) → $50
- Amherst Pharmacy* → $50

* = Ask provider to call ahead so pharmacy can stock it