

FORB AND THN PROGRAM: REPLACING EXPIRED NALOXONE

ALERT: Naloxone with **Lot # 70436, 70457 and 70458** are due to expire on June 30th, 2020.

Affected Take Home Naloxone (THN) and Facility Overdose Response Box (FORB) sites naloxone may have been included in **deliveries** made between:

**May 2018 through March 2019.

Naloxone may lose its effectiveness after its expiration date, and therefore additional doses may be required to respond to an overdose. Naloxone is not harmful.

Actions Required by Facility Overdose Response Box (FORB) Program Sites:

Action 1: Check Site Inventory and Advise Staff

- Remove the naloxone ampoules from overdose response boxes and 3-dose blue kits to check the naloxone expiry date.
- To replace expired naloxone ampoules sites should order 'Naloxone ampoule' (see FORB order form below).

| Products | Count | Contents | Quantity Ordered | Quantity Shipped |
|--|-------|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Facility Overdose Response Box Refill Supplies | 1 | Naloxone, 0.4 mg/mL, 1 mL ampoule | | |
| | 1 | Vanish Point® 3 mL syringe | | |
| | 1 | Plastic ampoule breakers | | |
| | 1 | Box of 200 non-latex gloves | | |
| | 1 | Individual breathing mask | | |

Actions Required by Take Home Naloxone (THN) Sites:

Action 1: Check Site Inventory

- Check label on kit and remove the naloxone ampoules from kit to check the expiry date.
- To replace naloxone in kits with expired ampoules sites should order 'Naloxone Bottles Only' (see THN <u>order form</u> below).



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| Products | Contents | Unit of Issue | Q | uantity Order | red |
|--|---|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----|
| Completely Assembled THN Kit | 1 x Black case 3 x Naloxone, 0.4 mg/mL, 1 mL ampoule 3 x Vanish Point* 3 mL syringe 1 x 1 x Amber medication bottle with label 3 x Plastic ampoule breakers 1 x Pair of non-latex gloves 3 x Alcohol swabs 1 x Individual preathing mask in pouch | 1 kit | - | Kit | ts |
| Naloxone Replacement Bottles (to refill used kits) | 3 x Naloxone, 0.4 mg/mL, 1 mL ampoule 1 x Amber medication bottle with label 3 x Plastic ampoule breakers Kit ID stickers for re-labelling existing kit | 1 bottle | _ | Bottle | |
| Mock Kit (for training purposes) | 3 x Water ampoules, 1 mL 3 x Vanish Point* 3 mL syringe 1 x Amber medication bottle with label 3 x Plastic ampoule breakers 1 x Pair of non-latex gloves 3 x Alcohol swabs 1 x Individual breathing mask in pouch | 1 kit | Kits maximum: 5 | | |
| | | Circle Quantity Required | | | |
| Loose Supplies (for replacement kits or training purposes) | Vanish Point® 3 mL syringe | 10 | 0 200 | 300 | |
| | Plastic ampoule breakers | 10 | 0 200 | 300 | |
| | Water ampoules, 1 mL | 10 | 0 200 | 300 | |
| | Individual breathing mask in pouch (Available only for kit refills only, quantity ordered should match quantity of 'Naloxone Replacement Bottles' ordered) | | | | |
| | OD Survival Guide Brochure – English | 50 100 | 150 200 | 250 300 | |
| | Box non-latex gloves | | | | |
| | Good Samaritan Drug Overdose Act Wallet Cards – English | 50 100 | 150 20 | 0 250 300 | |

Action 2: Advise Clients

- We recommend displaying the expiry sign clearly in or near your site to advise clients of the upcoming expiry
- Encourage clients to check the naloxone expiry date on the ampoules in their kits, or assist clients in doing so.
- Replace the naloxone ampoules using the options below:

<u>Option 1</u> – Only replace naloxone ampoules

- Record a kit as being replaced on the distribution record
 - Mark the reason for replacement as Expiry
- Ensure remaining kit components are unused and intact. Replace additional components if necessary. If you have any concerns about the state of the supplies, issue a new replacement kit.

1 pair of gloves

3 VanishPoint syringes

2 alcohol wipes1 administration information sheet

- 1 breathing mask
- Indicate the new naloxone expiry date on the outside of the kit or create a new label (see below)
- E-mail or fax the completed distribution record to naloxone@bccdc.ca or 604-707-2516

Option 2 – Replace entire kit

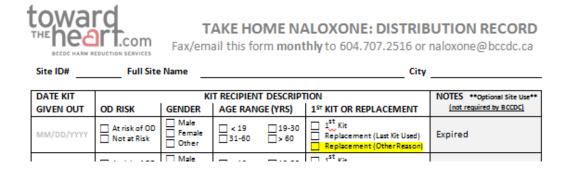
If the kit is damaged and requires replacement, issue a new kit.



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- Issue a new kit and record on the <u>distribution record</u>
- Tick 'Replacement Kit'
- Mark the reason for replacement 'Expiry'

Use the Distribution record to indicate the reason for a new kit (whole kit or replacement bottle) was distributed:



Disposal

- Please dispose of expired naloxone ampoules in a sharps container or through your local pharmacy's medications return program
- Unused and intact supplies in the kit may be used for training purposes
- Any used supplies should be disposed or recycled locally.
- Do not return kits to BCCDC for disposal or label/product replacements.

Got Naloxone?





Facility Overdose Response Program Kit/Box

CHECK the expiration date

Naloxone in FORB response boxes, blue kits, and THN kits with lot # 70436, 70457 and 70458 expires





June 30th, 2020

REPLACE naloxone in your kits

For Take Home Naloxone (THN) kits, bring your whole kit to:

| SITE: | | |
|---------------|------|------|
| Contact Name: | | |
| Phone Number: | | |

Expired naloxone may be less effective = slower OD reversal STAY SAFE and REPLACE