

## DRSABC + Naloxone

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**DANGERS?**  
Are there any sharp objects or hazards nearby?

**R**

**RESPONSE?**  
Is the person responding to you?

**S**

**SEND FOR HELP**  
Call 000 for an ambulance

**A**

**AIRWAY**  
Make sure nothing is in mouth

**B**

**BREATHING**  
Is the person breathing? If yes, give naloxone (if available) and place in recovery position

**C**

**CPR - IF NOT BREATHING**  
30 compressions: 2 breaths

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If naloxone is available

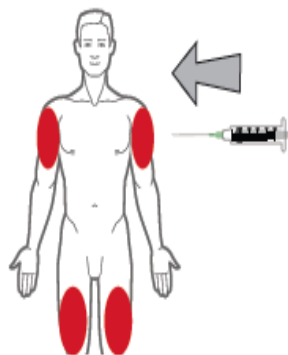
1. **Administer one dose of naloxone**
  - One whole ampoule, **OR**
  - To the nearest black line of Prenoxad, **OR**
  - Insert nasal spray nozzle into one nostril and depress plunger fully.
2. Still not breathing? **Continue CPR**
3. If no response after 2-3 minutes of giving naloxone **administer another dose of naloxone** (insert second unit of nasal spray in other nostril and depress plunger fully)
4. Still not breathing? **Continue CPR until the person becomes responsive or the ambulance arrives**

## IF YOU THINK SOMEONE HAS DROPPED

- Call 000 for an ambulance
- Stay with them until help arrives
- Police will only attend if:
  - The overdose is suspicious
  - there has been, or is likely to be a death
  - ambos call for help

## INJECTING NALOXONE

- If using ampoule: Attach 23 gauge 1-1 ½ inch (blue) needle to syringe. Swirl the ampoule to ensure all the naloxone is in the base. Break the ampoule by placing thumb on blue dot, and break with a quick motion. Draw up one ampoule of naloxone
- If using 2ml Prenoxad: Attach 23 gauge (blue) needle to syringe
- No need to remove clothing
- Inject the needle into the thigh or upper arm
- Using ampoule: Slowly and steadily push plunger all the way down
- Using Prenoxad: Administer one dose – stop at the nearest black line
- Note the time the naloxone was given
- Safely dispose of syringe and needle tips in sharps disposal unit



## USING NALOXONE NASAL SPRAY

- Insert nasal spray nozzle into one nostril, then firmly depress plunger to give one complete spray of naloxone
- Remove nozzle from the nostril
- If required give the second dose of nasal spray in the other nostril
- Note which nostril was used and the time the naloxone was given
- Dispose of used nasal sprays safely as per manufacturer's instructions

## TAKE HOME NALOXONE (THN) PROGRAM

Please email any queries to [Health.THNDASSA@sa.gov.au](mailto:Health.THNDASSA@sa.gov.au)

## CLEAN NEEDLE PROGRAM (CNP) PEER EDUCATORS

- Contact the Alcohol and Other Drug Information Service (ADIS) on 1300 131 340 to find your nearest CNP location
- To find a CNP site with a Hepatitis SA Peer Educator please visit <http://hepatitissa.asn.au/our-services/clean-needle-program/169-hepatitis-sa-cnp-sites> or call 1800 437 222