

The Save Lives Oregon Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse

How EMS & Fire agencies can access
naloxone at no cost

What is the Save Lives Oregon (SLO) Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse?

The SLO Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse is a project of the Save Lives Oregon initiative. The SLO Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse provides supplies such as life-saving naloxone and wound care kits to organizations that qualify, at no cost. **The participating agency must directly give supplies to people who use drugs and people at highest risk for overdose, infection, and injury.**

Why should organizations, including EMS & Fire agencies, distribute free naloxone to people who use drugs or people at risk of overdose?

People who use drugs and people at risk of overdose need naloxone to save lives. The days and weeks following release from incarceration are a particularly high-risk period for overdose death. In Oregon, a potential bystander was present in over half of overdose deaths in 2020, indicating there may have been an opportunity for lifesaving interventions, such as administering naloxone, at the time of the person's fatal overdose.

The SLO Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse prioritizes the direct distribution of naloxone to people who use drugs so that the naloxone may be used by them when they are a bystander, or on them by a bystander.

Are EMS & Fire agencies eligible to access no cost naloxone via the SLO Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse?

EMS & Fire agencies are eligible to access no cost naloxone when they are currently providing or planning to provide naloxone to community members as part of a "Leave Behind" program. When EMS & Fire agencies are engaging in "Leave Behind" efforts, the SLO Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse can also provide naloxone to staff, officers and first responders to use in case of an on-site overdose emergency. For more information on SLO Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse eligibility criteria, visit www.savelivesoregon.org/apply/.

What information will a participating EMS & Fire agency need to track and report?

Participating EMS/Fire agencies will be required to report the number of naloxone doses distributed to individuals each month as part of the Leave Behind efforts.

What are the steps to apply and participate in the Save Lives Oregon Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse?

Step 1: Application

Complete and submit the application via www.savelivesoregon.org/apply-form.

Only one application is needed for each organization. Please note: The following are necessary to complete an application:

- A Secretary of State Organization/Entity Registry Number. The number can be located using the "Find a Business" Search function on the Oregon Secretary of State webpage via sos.oregon.gov/business/Pages/find.aspx
- Employer Identification Number (EIN) or Federal Identification Number (FIN)

Once an application is submitted, the SLO Clearinghouse team will reach out to confirm eligibility. The application acceptance process takes about a week.

Step 2: Account Set-up and Bridge Naloxone

Once an application is accepted, the account set up process begins, which can take up to 90 days to complete. The agency will be given the opportunity to order naloxone during this time to bridge the account set-up process.

Step 3: Ordering

After the account is set up, sites can order naloxone directly through the SLO Clearinghouse distributors.

Step 4: Reporting

Report monthly SLO Clearinghouse supply distribution at <https://bit.ly/3EF9SKA>

Step 5: Activities

Receive support as needed from the SLO Clearinghouse team.

How can EMS & Fire agencies get naloxone if they are not currently distributing or planning to distribute naloxone as part of a "Leave Behind" program?

EMS & Fire agencies that would like to keep naloxone on-hand for internal staff use in the case of an overdose emergency and are not planning to distribute naloxone as part of a "Leave Behind" program, can purchase nasal Narcan® directly from the manufacturer at reduced public interest pricing. This pricing option is only available to programs not seeking reimbursement from insurance. Please email the SLO Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse team at info@savelivesoregon.org with subject: Public Interest Pricing for nasal Narcan via BioEmergent Solutions.

Who can I contact if I have questions about the application or the project?

Contact info@savelivesoregon.org with questions about the SLO Harm Reduction Supply Clearinghouse application or program.