

FAQ's About Naloxone and the SafeBuild Alliance Naloxone Project

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SafeBuild Alliance is providing Train the Trainer training for the use of Naloxone (Narcan) on construction projects. We are also offering Naloxone for purchase at a discounted price. The following are common questions contractors have asked about the use of Naloxone on construction projects.

Q: *What is the liability with administering naloxone to a person suffering an overdose?*

A: In Oregon, the Good Samaritan Law protects those who administer naloxone in the same way as those who administer first aid or CPR.

Q: *What if I give naloxone to a person who is not experiencing an overdose, but suffering from another health crisis?*

A: Naloxone has no effect on the body other than aiding in overdose prevention and will be harmless if that is not the case. Protocol for administering the drug also includes first calling 911, so help will be on the way.

Q: *Why should we have it on our jobsites?*

A: Opioid Abuse Disorder is a national health crisis and disproportionately affects construction workers who are often injured and don't get paid if they don't get back to work. It is also an industry in which others can be put in harm's way by the crisis of a coworker.

Q: *Are there any examples where anything like this has been implemented in the past?*

A: Yes. The roll out of naloxone to project sites is very similar to placing AEDs on jobsites to assist with cardiac-related personal medical incidents.

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