

OPIOID OVERDOSE ATTITUDES SCALE

Please, answer the following questions thinking about how you would deal with an opioid overdose (opioids such as: heroin, methadone, morphine, oxycodone, tramadol, fentanyl or codeine).

Before you start answering the questions please read the following definitions:

Opioid Overdose: difficulty breathing, turning blue, lost consciousness unable to be roused, collapsing occurring in conjunction with opioid use (opioids such as: heroin, methadone, morphine, oxycodone, tramadol, fentanyl or codeine).

Naloxone: is a medicine (an kind of 'opioid antidote') commonly used by ambulance services to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose and bring the person back into consciousness.

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Please, mark how much you agree with each statement:	Completely Disagree	Disagree	Unsure	Agree	Completely Agree
1. I already have enough information about how to manage an overdose	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. I am already able to inject naloxone into someone who had overdosed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. I would be able to check that someone who had an overdose was breathing properly	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. I would be afraid of giving naloxone in case the person becomes aggressive afterwards	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. If someone overdoses, I want to be able to help them	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. I would be afraid of doing something wrong in an overdose situation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. I would be reluctant to use naloxone for fear of precipitating withdrawal symptoms	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. Everyone at risk of witnessing an overdose should be given a naloxone supply	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. I couldn't just watch someone overdose, I would have to do something to help	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10. If someone overdoses, I would call an ambulance but I wouldn't be willing to do anything else	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11. I am going to need more training before I would feel confident to help someone who had overdosed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12. I would be able to perform mouth to mouth resuscitation to someone who had overdosed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13. Family and friends of drug users should be prepared to deal with an overdose	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14. I would be able to perform chest compressions to someone who had overdosed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15. I would be concerned about calling emergency services in case the police come around	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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16. If I tried to help someone who had overdosed, I might accidentally hurt them	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
17. If I witnessed an overdose, I would call an ambulance straight a way	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
18. I would be afraid of suffering a needle stick injury if I had to give someone a naloxone injection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19. If I saw an overdose, I would panic and not be able to help	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
20. If someone overdoses, I would know what to do to help them	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21. I would be able to place someone who had overdosed in the recovery position	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22. I would stay with the overdose victim until helps arrives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
23. I would prefer not to help someone who has overdosed, because I'd feel responsible if they died	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
24. I know very little about how to help someone who has overdosed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
25. Needles frighten me and I wouldn't be able to give someone an injection of naloxone	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
26. I would be able to deal effectively with an overdose	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
27. If I saw an overdose, I would feel nervous, but I would still take the necessary actions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
28. I will do whatever is necessary to save someone's life in an overdose situation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>