

## Additional Patient Take Home Naloxone Leaflet

Keep the pack sealed.

**DO NOT OPEN** the pack unless it is an emergency.

Remember Naloxone will only work on opiate based drugs such as heroin or methadone for a short time. It is a temporary effect. Naloxone <u>does not</u> remove opiates from the body, after about 20 minutes the effects of the naloxone will wear off and there is a risk that someone may go back into an overdose. **You should always call 999 for an ambulance.** It is important that someone does not take more drugs. **Give one dose (0.4ml) every 2 – 3 minutes.** 

If the pack is opened or has expired then you will need to have it replaced. If the pack is opened and used then **DO NOT** keep the pack, give it to the ambulance crew or take it to a needle exchange pharmacy for disposal. You can get a resupply from Borders Addiction Service, Addaction or any Pharmacy Needle Exchange Provider.

Further overdose training or Naloxone training can be accessed via Borders Addiction Service, Addaction or any Pharmacy Needle Exchange Provider. If you require any additional support following giving naloxone then please also contact Borders Addiction Service or Addaction to speak with a worker.

## Action on finding a potential overdose

