



OTC Naloxone Distribution Resource

4 mg naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray (naloxone) received over-the-counter (OTC) approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in March 2023. Naloxone is an opioid overdose reversal drug that counteracts the life-threatening effects of an opioid overdose.

While there is a Kansas statewide protocol for dispensing prescription naloxone, this protocol does not apply to OTC naloxone. Providing OTC naloxone is not prohibited by [K.S.A 65-16,127](#) and is considered a separate activity from dispensing a prescription-only product.

There are grant-funded initiatives that may cover the cost of OTC naloxone for health care providers and facilities in Kansas. This includes the [Kansas Naloxone Program](#), administered by DCCCA, a Kansas substance use disorder treatment provider, that provides free naloxone nasal spray plus training to community organizations and Kansas residents.

DCCCA receives funding for this project from the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) through the State Opioid Response (SOR) grant initiative from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The program and free naloxone is contingent upon continued Federal, State & Local Funding and available supply.

For questions about the Kansas Naloxone Program, please contact DCCCA at naloxone@dcca.org.

Note: Effective July 1, 2026, Kansas law ([HB 2250](#)) allows naloxone to be used for up to 10 years past its printed expiration date. Meaning, if you have expired naloxone, it can still be used 10 years past the printed expiration date.

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