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## CLINICAL BULLETIN

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25	Naloxone Dose Change			January 16, 2015
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24	N. Mercuri	Dr. Jim Suozzi	MCB January 15, 2015 Meeting	

### Protocol Update Effective Immediately

Due to the reported need for increased doses of naloxone (Narcan) to reverse the effects of suspected opiate drug overdoses, the Medical Control Board voted on January 15, 2015 to change the naloxone dose in the Poisoning/Substance Abuse/Overdose - Adult protocol 2.15A as follows:

#### At the EMR/EMT level:

For suspected opiate overdose with severe respiratory depression consider:

- Naloxone 1mg (1mL) per nostril (IN) via prefilled syringe and atomizer for a total of 2mg.
- If no response, may repeat in 3-5 minutes.
- For additional doses call Medical Control.

#### At the ALS level (AEMTs and Paramedic):

For suspected opiate overdose with severe respiratory depression consider:

- Naloxone 0.4 – 2.0 mg IV/IM or 2mg IN.
- If no response, may repeat initial dose every 3 - 5 minutes to a total of 10mg.

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