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# DOH-Escambia Hosts Revive Awareness Day Event

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**Pensacola, Fla.** — The Florida Department of Health in Escambia County (DOH-Escambia) invites the public to attend this year's Revive Awareness Day event on **Friday, June 6, 2025**.

The event will be held from 4-7 p.m. at:

Bright Bridge Ministries 2600 West Strong St. Pensacola, FL 32505

DOH-Escambia invites the public to attend this year's Revive Awareness Day event to learn how to recognize the signs of an overdose, how to use naloxone to reverse the effects of an overdose, and what resources and programs are available to support individuals with substance use disorder.

Pre-registration is not required.

#### Signs of an Overdose

All Floridians need to know the signs of an overdose, which include:

- Small, constricted "pinpoint pupils"
- Falling asleep or losing consciousness
- Slow, weak, or not breathing
- Choking or gurgling sounds
- Cold or clammy skin
- Discolored skin, especially lips and nails
- Limp body

### What to Do if You Think Someone is Overdosing

If you suspect someone has overdosed, call 911 immediately.

Administer naloxone (Narcan) if available, lay the person on their side to prevent choking, and try to keep them awake and breathing until emergency assistance arrives.

#### What is Naloxone?

Naloxone (Narcan) is a medication that can reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. Floridians can find naloxone for their community by calling DOH-Escambia at 850-595-6500.

The Florida Department of Health's **Helping Emergency Responders Obtain Support (HEROS) program** provides naloxone to emergency response agencies throughout the state.

Any Florida agency that employs licensed emergency responders may <u>apply to the HEROS</u> program.

## If You or a Loved One Need Help

The **Coordinated Opioid Recovery (CORE) Network** is the first of its kind in the U.S. and aims to eliminate the stigma of addiction and treat substance use disorder as a disease, with the same level of continuous care. Floridians battling with addiction can utilize the <u>CORE Network</u> for stabilization and to receive medication assisted treatment from a network of specialized medical experts that will help guide them on a sustained pathway to healthy success.

Spearheaded by First Lady Casey DeSantis, "The Facts. Your Future." campaign focuses on supporting students statewide to ensure they receive prevention instruction and encouragement to protect and maintain their health, avoid substance misuse, and discourage risky behaviors so they can thrive and flourish for life. This <u>campaign</u> is an interactive approach to ensure students are informed and can make safe decisions as they grow.

A <u>public health and safety alert</u> was also deployed by the Florida Department of Health on July 8, 2022, to ensure Floridians remain vigilant of the signs of overdose. <u>Poster materials</u> are available.

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