

# Naloxone Best Practice Guideline Development Project

Canada is in the midst of an overdose crisis. Naloxone is a key tool which is used as an emergency response to reverse opioid overdose and save lives. The Naloxone Best Practice Guideline (BPG) Development project, funded by the Canadian Research Initiative in Substance Misuse and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research and led by investigators from across the country, aims to create an evidence-based best practice document for Take-Home Naloxone distribution in Canada.

## Environmental Scan

✓ An environmental scan was performed in 2019 to better understand how naloxone is distributed for community use in Canada.



## Engage the Experts

✓ People with lived and living experience of substance use, clinicians and academics from across Canada have been identified as members of a Naloxone Best Practice Guideline Development Group.



Teams will work together to generate and prioritize questions that the guidelines will seek to answer.

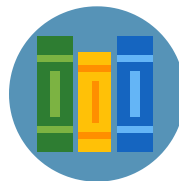
## Synthesize Findings

The Naloxone Best Practice Guideline Development Group will create recommendations for Take-Home Naloxone distribution in Canada. The perspectives of people with lived and living experience and clinicians will be incorporated.



## Scoping Review

A scoping review conducted in 2020 identified systematic reviews and best practice guidelines for take-home naloxone distribution. ✓



## Look to Evidence

Using systematic review methods, the research team will assess published and available information to answer the questions identified by the Naloxone Best Practice Guideline Development Group.



## Finalize and Release Best Practice Guidelines

A broad public consultation will solicit feedback on the guideline document before it is finalized.



The final guidelines will be publicly available.