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## **Learn Wednesday How to Acquire and Administer Naloxone to Prevent an Opioid Overdose Death**

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Opioid related overdose deaths in Connecticut have grown at four times the national average since 2012. Narcan (naloxone) is an opiate antidote. It blocks the effects of opioids and reverses an overdose.

Trained individuals are allowed to possess and administer Narcan to a person having an overdose. Come to Darien Library from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 4 for “How to Respond to an Overdose: Narcan Information and Training.”

The training session will have a demonstration on how to acquire and administer Narcan.

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— *This article is based on information from announcements [from both Darien Library](#) and the Community*

Legislative efforts and other resources to combat the opioid crisis will be discussed. Free Narcan kits will be distributed to the first 30 attendees courtesy of Silver Hill Hospital, as part of the State Targeted Response Grant.

- There is a 30 person maximum for free Narcan kits, so please [register online here](#) to reserve your space.

Training will include:

- Overdose prevention strategies
- Signs and symptoms of an overdose
- How to administer naloxone (Narcan)
- The Good Samaritan Law
- Support Information & Resources

For more information, call Emily Larkin at The Community Fund of Darien at (203) 655-8775 or email her at [emily.larkin@communityfundofdarien.org](mailto:emily.larkin@communityfundofdarien.org).

*The Darien Library is proud to cosponsor this event with [Silver Hill Hospital](#), [Communities 4 Action](#), the [YWCA of Darien/Norwalk](#), and [The Community Fund of Darien](#).*