

Frequently Asked Questions about the Bulk Purchase Trust Fund

How much will Naloxone cost through State Office of Pharmacy Services (SOPS)?

The cost of Naloxone fluctuates depending on the statewide wholesaler's negotiated rate. Currently, the cost of Naloxone is \$33.27 per syringe.

This cost will be further reduced as a result of the receipt of additional funds into the trust fund (e.g. appropriations or settlements). Upon initiation of the program DPH will discount each syringe \$13.27, meaning the cost of each syringe will be \$20.

How do municipalities purchase atomizers?

Municipalities and first responders will also be able to purchase atomizers through the SOPS program. The current cost of each atomizer is \$4.32].

How will Naloxone be delivered to the municipality?

Delivery will occur via the courier used by the SOPS vendor.

Will there be trainings for those not currently trained?

Information and resources related to training and a training PowerPoint are available at <http://masstapp.edc.org/first-responder-naloxone-narcan-technical-assistance>. Your training must be approved by your medical director. If you have questions about training you can contact Sarah.Ruiz@state.ma.us.

Are there any restrictions to whom the bulk-purchased naloxone can be delivered?

Any first responder municipality with a Mass Controlled Substance Registration can purchase Naloxone through SOPS. The mechanism used to purchase Naloxone depends on whether or not the purchasing organization has access to a municipal medical facility with a DEA- and a State-licensed pharmacy:

- a. Purchasing organizations that **have** a municipal medical facility with a DEA- and a State-licensed pharmacy may purchase Naloxone directly from the [Statewide Contract MED38](#). In order to do so, an account must be set up with the Statewide Contract vendor, Cardinal Health. Please refer to the [MED38 Contract User Guide](#) for ordering instructions and Cardinal contact information.
- b. Purchasing organizations that **do not have** a licensed municipal pharmacy available may purchase Naloxone from the [Statewide Contract MED38](#) through designated personnel at the [State Office of Pharmacy Services \(SOPS\)](#), who will accept Naloxone purchasing requests and payments and will forward the shipments to the location designated by the purchasing organization. Naloxone purchase requests

may be forwarded to either of the following individuals at the State Office of Pharmacy Services:

- Edward Cavallari – Edward.Cavallari@massmail.state.ma.us 978-858-2153
- Beth Landers - Elizabeth.landiers@state.ma.us
- Alki Nacopoulos – alkiviadis.nacopoulos@state.ma.us
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How long will it take to receive the Naloxone?

Orders processed through SOPS are couriered through the vendor and take approximately 2-3 days to receive. This delivery estimate is largely dependent on the availability from the wholesaler. If Naloxone is on backorder, it could take longer.