

50 States at a Glance: Prescribing and Dispensing Naloxone

Physicians in every state may prescribe naloxone.

TABLE I: AUTHORITY OF APNS AND PAS TO PRESCRIBE NALOXONE

	May prescribe naloxone without on-site physician supervision	May prescribe naloxone with on-site physician supervision	Cannot prescribe naloxone
Advanced Practice Nurse	AL, AK*, AR*, AZ*, CA, CO*, CT, DE*, DC, FL, GA, HI*, ID*, IL, IN*, IA, KS, KY, LA*, ME*, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT*, NC, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, ND*, OH*, OK, OR*, PA, RI, SC*, SD, TN*, TX, UT*, VT, VA, WA*, WV*, WI, WY		
Physician Assistant	AL, AK, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL* †, GA, HI, ID*, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MT, NE, NC, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, ND, OH*, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC*, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA*, WI, WY*	MO	WV

* Special license or board certification required

† For nasal administration only

TABLE 2: AUTHORITY OF PRESCRIBERS TO DISPENSE NALOXONE

	No Significant Dispensing Restriction(s)	Approval Required From One or More Professional Board or Other Restriction(s)	Dispensing Authority Limited to Samples	No Dispensing Authority
Physicians	AL, AK, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, ME, MA, MN, MS, MO, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY (39)	AR, AZ, FL, IA, MD, MI, MT, NE, NV, OK, VA (11)	UT (1)	(0)
APNs	AL, AK, CT, DC, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, KY, ME, MA, MN, NH, NJ, NY, ND, RI, TN, TX, VT, WA, WY (23)	AZ, CA, DE, FL, IA, MD, MT, NE, NV, NM, NC, OR, PA, SD, WI (15)	AR, CO [†] , KS [†] , LA [†] , MI [†] , MS, MO*, OH, OK [†] , SC [†] , UT, VA [†] (12)	WV (1)
Pas	AL, AK, CO, CT, DE, GA, HI, IL, IN, LA, ME, MA, MN, NH, NM, NJ, NY, ND, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, VT, WA (25)	AZ, CA, DC, IA, MT, NE, NV, NC, OR, WY (10)	FL, ID, KS [†] , KY, MI [†] , MS, MO*, OH, OK [†] , UT, VA [†] , WV [†] (12)	AR, MD, SC, WI (4)

* On-site supervision required

† Definition of "sample" would not generally support free distribution at a naloxone program