



The Michigan Poison & Drug Information Center at the Wayne State University School of Medicine is issuing an alert to health care providers, health department personnel, and residents about an incident involving the possible presence of adulterants in drugs of abuse following an overdose event in Calhoun County involving at least 10 people on Thanksgiving Day. Emergency medical responders administered naloxone, an opioid overdose reversal agent, and performed other rescue maneuvers. It is reported that all overdose victims related to this event survived.

Unknown adulterants in illegally sourced drugs such as cocaine, methamphetamine, fentanyl, and other opioids put people who use drugs at increased risk of overdose and death. The center helps emergency response personnel and health care professionals in treating victims of overdose-related emergencies by providing advice and consultation services.

To obtain a free naloxone kit and other educational resources, visit <https://www.poison.med.wayne.edu/request-materials> or speak with a Poison Center educator by calling **1-800-222-1222 Ext. 2** (Local callers can dial 1-313-486-0078).

If you use drugs or know anyone who uses drugs, we encourage you to learn about overdose rescue training, including access to a personal naloxone kit. In Calhoun County, referrals can be made to the Calhoun County Public Health Department's Project Access at 1-269-986-7562. Free naloxone and overdose response kits can be obtained at the CCPHD at 190 E. Michigan Ave., Battle Creek, MI 49014. For training and access to free overdose rescue kits in Calhoun County visit <https://www.drugfreebc.org/narcan/>.

People who use drugs should never do so alone. To obtain free naloxone and other resources from Never Use Alone Inc., visit <https://neverusealone.com/> or call 1-877-696-1996. To find services in your area, visit the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration website at www.samhsa.gov or call the SAMHSA National Helpline at 1-800-662-4357. The SAMHSA National Helpline provides free and confidential assistance 24/7/365.

The Michigan Poison & Drug Information Center provides around-the-clock poison information and patient management recommendations from trained nurses, pharmacists, and physicians. The center also provides expert advice and clinical toxicology consulting services. The public, emergency responders, public health and safety, and health care personnel are encouraged to call the Poison Helpline at **1-800-222-1222** as soon as a poison-related emergency is suspected.