



# NEWS RELEASE

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## **PASSAIC COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ADMINISTER NALOXONE IN HAWTHORNE ON MAY 14, 2017**

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Hawthorne Police Chief Richard McAuliffe announce that law enforcement officers in Passaic County administered Naloxone to one subject on May 14, 2017. Naloxone is a medicine administered by way of a spray into the subject's nostrils to counteract an opioid overdose.

Hawthorne police officers deployed Naloxone at 9:44 a.m. to a 26 year old male who resides in Hawthorne, NJ. Officers administered one (1) dose of Naloxone and the subject became responsive. Care of the subject was transferred to local emergency medical services.

Since 2014, members of law enforcement in Passaic County have received training in the administration of Naloxone to respond to suspected opiate overdoses. This incident is the fifty-sixth (56<sup>th</sup>) Naloxone deployment in Passaic County in 2017.