



# NEWS RELEASE

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## **PASSAIC COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ADMINISTER NALOXONE IN HALEDON ON FEBRUARY 18, 2017**

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Haledon Police Chief Angelo Daniele announce that law enforcement officers in Passaic County administered Naloxone to one subject on February 18, 2017. Naloxone is a medicine administered by way of a spray into the subject's nostrils to counteract an opioid overdose.

Haledon police officers deployed Naloxone at 9:50 p.m. to a 41 year old female who resides in Haledon, New Jersey. When officers arrived at the location, the subject was observed to be unresponsive, breathing slowly and displaying blue lips and a slow pulse. Officers administered two doses of Naloxone and the subject became responsive but remained sedated. 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 twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) Naloxone deployment in Passaic County in 2017.