



# NEWS RELEASE

**Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes**  
Passaic County Prosecutor's Office  
401 Grand Street  
Paterson, NJ 07505  
(973) 881-4800

---

## **PASSAIC COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ADMINISTER NALOXONE DEPLOYMENT IN HAWTHORNE ON APRIL 2, 2017**

---

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

April 6, 2017

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 April 2, 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 1:28 p.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.

Responding officers reported observing a syringe in close proximity to the subject.

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 thirty-second (32<sup>nd</sup>) Naloxone deployment in Passaic County in 2017.