



# NEWS RELEASE

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## **PASSAIC COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ADMINISTER NALOXONE IN PROSPECT PARK ON JANUARY 3, 2017**

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PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Prospect Park Police Chief Charbel Atie announce that law enforcement officers in Passaic County administered Naloxone to one subject on January 3, 2017. Naloxone is a medicine administered by way of a spray into the subject's nostrils to counteract an opioid overdose.

Prospect Park police officers deployed Naloxone at 7:24 p.m. to a 27 year old male who resides in Ringwood, New Jersey. When officers arrived at the location, the subject was observed to be unresponsive, breathing slowly, displaying blue lips, and had a slow pulse. Officers administered one dose of Naloxone and the subject became responsive and alert. 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 second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Naloxone deployment in Passaic County in 2017.