

Resource List

EMS, Fire, Police
911

ADM Crisis Center
330-996-7730

Crisis Suicide Prevention Hotline
330-434-9144

Portage Path Psychiatric Emergency
330-762-6110

Narcotics Anonymous
1-888-438-4673

Battered Women's Shelter
1-888-395-HELP (4357)

Haven of Rest Ministries
330-535-1563

Dept. of Job & Family Services
330-643-8200

Victim Assistance Program
330-376-0040

Social Security
1-877-600-2858

Location & Hours

MONDAY

Summit County Public Health
1400 South Arlington St. Suite #28
Akron, OH 44306
12:00pm-3:00pm

WEDNESDAY

Summit County Public Health
1400 South Arlington St. Suite #28
Akron, OH 44306
3:00pm-6:00pm

FRIDAY

Summit County Public Health
1867 West Market St. Akron, OH 44313
8:00am-3:00pm

**clinics will be closed on federal holidays*

The syringe exchange site operates as part of the blood borne infectious disease prevention program as outlined under Ohio Revised Code 3707.57.

SUMMIT SAFE

Summit
County
Public
Health



Program Overview

- Reduce the transmission of blood borne diseases such as HIV and Hepatitis C.
- Provides participants with referrals to social services, including addiction treatment programs
- Raise awareness about risk of drug use and encourage safer practices to reduce risk of overdose
- Offers overdose prevention information and naloxone kits to participants
- Provide a safe way to dispose of used syringes.

Services Provided

- Sterile syringes will be provided for each participant
- HIV and Hepatitis C testing and referral for care, if needed
- Referrals for drug treatment, counseling, medical care and other community resources
- Education about safer drug use
- Naloxone training for use during an overdose situation

Disposal of Syringes

- Put used syringes or other sharp supplies in a hard plastic or metal container
- Keep the lid securely fastened
- Do NOT use glass or clear plastic containers
- Keep container away from children or pets
- Bring your container to the health department at the next Summit Safe clinic to dispose of properly and to receive new, sterile syringes

Safety Tips

- Never use drugs alone. Have someone with you just in case something unexpected happens
- Use a new syringe every time you inject
- Make sure to use new supplies every time

Overdose Risks

- You are at greater risk of overdosing when you have not used in a while; such as when you are in jail, rehab, or trying to quit
- When you mix drugs including alcohol, over the counter medication, doctor prescribed medications and illegal substances
- Using drugs that are stronger than expected, new supply, new dealer, or drugs that are mixed with something unexpected

Overdose Prevention

- Do NOT mix drugs and alcohol
- Certain prescription drugs can increase the chance of overdose
- Do not use alone
- Get trained to use Naloxone and have a kit



What is Project DAWN?

- Project DAWN is a community-based drug overdose prevention and education project. Participants receive training on:
 - Recognizing the signs and symptoms of an overdose
 - Performing rescue breathing
 - Administering intranasal Naloxone

What is Naloxone?

- Naloxone (also known as Narcan) is a medication that can reverse an overdose that is caused by an opioid drug. When administered during an overdose, Naloxone blocks the effects of opioids on the brain and restores breathing within two to eight minutes.

How can I get a Narcan kit?

- Summit County residents can obtain a Narcan kit at any three of the Project DAWN locations. The kit will be FREE and participants will complete a training on what to do in the event of an overdose.

An overdose is a medical emergency, always call 9-1-1 immediately!