Scotland’s National Naloxone Programme

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Deaths in Scotland
Drug-Related
The Scottish Picture

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Average of 558 people losing their lives every year.

PREVENTABLE

ACCIDENTAL

Common Circumstances

- Witness present
- Not in treatment
- Reduction in use
- Recent abstinence
- Older, more experienced IDUs
- Other drugs present
- Overdose and death
- Several hours between
- Recent non-fatal overdose
- Own/friends home
late 2010 announced Programme Naloxone National
Opiate overdose contract with people at risk of toxic working in services in the supply of naloxone to extend Lord Advocates' Guidelines – Allows Scottish Prison Service
• Community
• Programs
• Needle Syringe
• Pharmacists
• Harm Reduction Teams
• Community Addiction
• Nurses

Who Supplies THN?

Patient Group

Direction
New legislation introduced October 2015: no prescription required or PGD.
Moved to licensed community pack (Propoxyphene)

- Tamper evident tape

- Flow chart and PIL

- Luer lock fitting

- 2 x 23G 1.25" muscle needles

- 2ml pre-filled syringe

- Naloxone Hydrochloride 1mg/ml

The Product
Drug use by end March 2016

Target - 30% of people with problem

- 700+ repeat supplies due to reported use
- 2,538 from prisons
- 11,270 in community

2011-2014 data (report published annually)

Scotland

Division (IDS)

Information Services

Monitoring of Supplies
So how does the naloxone program work in Scotland?
in 2014

21% of population receiving methadone treatment prevalence testing

Nov 2011

Transfer of prisoner health to NHS in average daily population 7851 (2013/14)
So how does the naloxone programme work in prisons?
4.7% 2013

5.5% 2012

8.4% 2011

9.8% (baseline period) 2006-2010

Weeks of prison release

Opioid-related deaths within 4
Involving trainers and peer trainers potentially save hundreds of lives!

Make brief ‘training’ briefs

Prioritise the supply to people who use drugs

Normalise it in services

Ensure people on ORT have a supply