

**Definitions:**

Third party prescription: refers to a law which allows a prescription for naloxone to be written for a friend or family member of someone considered *at risk* of opioid overdose.

Standing orders: a "standing order" is an order that prescribers write allowing a prescription medication to be dispensed to a patient that they have not examined who meets a certain set of criteria. Some community-based programs have received standing orders for naloxone in states even if the state has not passed legislation that explicitly allows them.

**Notes:**

Many counties and cities have jurisdiction-wide standing orders for pharmacy naloxone distribution (e.g. Baltimore City, Allegheny County, City of New Orleans). The information below does not necessarily imply a statewide standing order is in effect. Maryland, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania are recent examples of states issuing statewide standing order policies. A majority of states allow pharmacists to dispense naloxone under a standing order from a licensed medical professional. A smaller number of states allow naloxone sales by a pharmacy without a prescription.

This information was obtained from two sources: Public Health Law Research (current as of Feb. 1, 2016, reports 33 states having standing orders) and Network for Public Health Law (using information from September 2015, reports 29 states having standing orders). This table displays information found for 31 states that have passed overdose prevention legislation that explicitly allows physicians to write standing orders for naloxone. In roughly 12 of these states, the law explicitly permits the prescriber to authorize laypersons (persons not otherwise permitted to dispense medications to distribute naloxone, either independently or in accordance with the standing order). In other states, this authority is implied by the text of the law.

CVS Health pharmacists can dispense naloxone, no prescription needed, in approximately 16 states: AR, CA, IN, MA, MN, MS, MT (only allows naloxone to be dispensed without a prescription to the patient), NJ, NY, ND, OH (beginning March 2016), PA, RI, TN, UT (3rd party), WI.

Walgreens Naloxone Program: By the end of 2016, Walgreens plans to make naloxone available without a prescription at its pharmacies in the following 35 states and the District of Columbia: AL, AR, CA, CO, CT, DC, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MN, MS, MT, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WI.

State (includes local jurisdictions)	Effective	Prescription by standing order	Text	Link	Additional Resources
Alabama	6/1/2015	Yes	HB 208 (2015)	<a href="http://alisondb.legislature.state.al.us/ALISON/Searchable">http://alisondb.legislature.state.al.us/ALISON/Searchable</a>	
Arkansas	7/22/2015	Yes	Act 1222 (2015)	<a href="https://legiscan.com/AR/text/SB880/id/1201250/Arkans">https://legiscan.com/AR/text/SB880/id/1201250/Arkans</a>	
California	2013;	Yes	AB 635 (2013); Cal. Civ. Code § 1714.22 (West 2014); Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §	<a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi">http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi</a>	
Colorado	4/3/2015;	Yes	CO SB15-053 (2015)	<a href="http://www.leg.state.co.us/CLICS/CLICS2015A/csl.nsf/fs">http://www.leg.state.co.us/CLICS/CLICS2015A/csl.nsf/fs</a>	<a href="https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/PW_Naloxone-">https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/PW_Naloxone-</a>
Delaware	8/4/2014	Yes	Del. Code tit. 16, § 138; Del. Code tit. 16, § 3001G	<a href="http://dcode.org/simple/sections/7-403.html">http://dcode.org/simple/sections/7-403.html</a>	
Georgia	4/24/2014	Yes	Ga. Code Ann. § 26-4-116.2 (2014)	<a href="http://www.legis.ga.gov/legislation/en-">http://www.legis.ga.gov/legislation/en-</a>	
Illinois	2009;	Yes	Public Act 096-0361 (2009); 20 Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. 301/5-23 (2010);	<a href="http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/fulltext.asp?DocNa">http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/fulltext.asp?DocNa</a>	
Indiana	4/17/2015	Yes	SB 406 (2015)	<a href="https://legiscan.com/IN/text/SB0406/id/1208187/India">https://legiscan.com/IN/text/SB0406/id/1208187/India</a>	
Kentucky	2013;	Yes	HB 366 (2013); Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 217.186; 201 Ky. Admin. Regs. 2:360E	<a href="http://www.lrc.state.ky.us/kar/201/002/360E.htm">http://www.lrc.state.ky.us/kar/201/002/360E.htm</a>	
Louisiana	8/15/2015	Yes	HB 210 (2015)	<a href="http://www.legis.la.gov/legis/BillInfo.aspx?i=226727">http://www.legis.la.gov/legis/BillInfo.aspx?i=226727</a>	
Massachusetts	7/1/2014	Yes	Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 94C, § 34A (2012); Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 94C, § 19(d)	<a href="http://www.malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/Part">http://www.malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/Part</a>	<a href="http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dph/quality/boards/pharmacy/prescrib">http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dph/quality/boards/pharmacy/prescrib</a>
Maryland	10/1/2015	Yes	Md. Code Ann., Health-Gen. §§ 13-3101 to 3111	<a href="http://www.mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmg/frmStatutes">http://www.mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmg/frmStatutes</a>	<a href="http://bha.dhmh.maryland.gov/OVERDOSE_PREVENTION/Documents/Sta">http://bha.dhmh.maryland.gov/OVERDOSE_PREVENTION/Documents/Sta</a>
Maine	10/15/2015	Yes	Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 22, § 2353 (2014); Ch. 351 (2015)	<a href="http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bills/bills_126th/">http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/bills/bills_126th/</a>	
Minnesota	5/10/2014	Yes	Minn. Stat. § 604A.04 (2014)	<a href="https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/7/id=604A.04">https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/7/id=604A.04</a>	
Mississippi	7/1/2015	Yes	HB 692 (2015)	<a href="http://billstatus.ls.state.ms.us/documents/2015/html/H">http://billstatus.ls.state.ms.us/documents/2015/html/H</a>	
North Carolina	4/9/2013;	Yes	SB 20 (2013); N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-106.2 (2015)	<a href="http://www.ncleg.net/Sessions/2015/Bills/Senate/PDF/">http://www.ncleg.net/Sessions/2015/Bills/Senate/PDF/</a>	
North Dakota	8/1/2015	Yes	SB 2104 (2015)	<a href="https://legiscan.com/ND/text/2104/id/1194959/North">https://legiscan.com/ND/text/2104/id/1194959/North</a>	
New Hampshire	6/2/2015	Yes	HB 271 (2015)	<a href="http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/legislation/2015/HB0">http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/legislation/2015/HB0</a>	
New Jersey	2013;	Yes	SB 2082; N.J. Stat. Ann. § 24:6j (2013)	<a href="http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2014/Bills/PL15/10_HTM">http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2014/Bills/PL15/10_HTM</a>	
Nevada	10/1/2015	Yes	SB 459	<a href="https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/78th2015/Bills/SB/">https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/78th2015/Bills/SB/</a>	
New York	8/11/2015	Yes	N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 3309 (2014)	<a href="http://w3.health.state.ny.us/dspace/NYCR10.nsf/56c">http://w3.health.state.ny.us/dspace/NYCR10.nsf/56c</a>	
Ohio	10/15/2015	Yes	H.B. 170 (2014); H.B. 4 (2015)	<a href="https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-">https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-</a>	
Oklahoma	11/30/2014	Yes	Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 63, § 1-2506.2; Ok. Stat. Ann. tit. 63 § 2-312.2	<a href="http://law.justia.com/codes/oklahoma/2014/title-">http://law.justia.com/codes/oklahoma/2014/title-</a>	
Pennsylvania	11/29/2014;	Yes	Act 139 (2014)	<a href="http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/li/uconsCheck">http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/li/uconsCheck</a>	<a href="http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Diseases%20and%20Conditions/">http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Diseases%20and%20Conditions/</a>
Rhode Island	1/27/2016	Yes	R.I. Gen. Laws § 21-28.9-3.	<a href="http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText/BillText16/Ho">http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText/BillText16/Ho</a>	
Tennessee	9/1/2015	Yes	Tenn. Code Ann. § 63-1-152 (2014)	<a href="http://www.capitol.tn.gov/Bills/108/Bill/HB1427.pdf">http://www.capitol.tn.gov/Bills/108/Bill/HB1427.pdf</a>	
Texas	9/1/2015	Yes	SB 1462 (2015)	<a href="http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/tlodocs/84R/billtext/pdf">http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/tlodocs/84R/billtext/pdf</a>	
Virginia	7/1/2015	Yes	Chapter 725 (2015)	<a href="http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi">http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi</a>	
Vermont	2013;	Yes	Act No. 71: Act No. 75 (2013); VT. STAT. ANN. Tit. 18, § 4240 (2013); 26 V.S.A.	<a href="http://www.leg.state.vt.us/docs/2014/bills/House/S-">http://www.leg.state.vt.us/docs/2014/bills/House/S-</a>	
Washington	7/24/2015	Yes	Chapter 205, 2015 Laws	<a href="http://lawfilesext.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-">http://lawfilesext.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-</a>	
Wisconsin	12/10/2015	Yes	Act 200 (2014)	<a href="https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2013/related/acts/200">https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2013/related/acts/200</a>	
West Virginia	5/27/2015	Yes	W. Va. Code. §16-46-3(b).	<a href="http://www.legis.state.wv.us/WVcode/ChapterEntire.cf">http://www.legis.state.wv.us/WVcode/ChapterEntire.cf</a>	