



# FENTANYL AWARENESS DAY

Thursday, March 21

@ 4:00 p.m. | Ridgeview HS Walking Track

ASAC/DEA Presentation @ 4:50 p.m.

Ridgeview Auditorium

Communities In Schools of Appalachian Highlands, in partnership with Dickenson County Public Schools and Appalachian Substance Abuse Coalition (ASAC), will host a family engagement event on Thursday, March 21 for Ridgeview High School parents and students!

During this event, families will learn about the dangers of Fentanyl and other opioids. In addition, there will be an opportunity to learn how to safely administer Narcan.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to watch the documentary "Dead on Arrival" with their child before the event (description and how to watch on the back of this flyer).

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## Consent Form

On Thursday, March 21, a school wide assembly will be held for Ridgeview High School students to learn about the dangers of fentanyl and other opioids. Students will have the opportunity to learn how to safely administer Narcan and receive a free Narcan kit. **THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL BEFORE MARCH 21 IN ORDER FOR YOUR CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TRAINING AND RECEIVE A NARCAN KIT.**

Student's Name:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## About Naloxone (Narcan)



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### What is Naloxone?

Naloxone is a life-saving medication that can reverse an overdose from opioids - including heroin, fentanyl, and prescription opioid medications - when given in time.

There are two forms of naloxone that anyone can use without medical training or authorization:

1. Nasal spray - prefilled devices that spray medication into the nose.
2. Injectable - medication (solution) given by injection into a muscle or under the skin.

*\*Nasal spray only will be utilized for this training.*

### Can I Use Naloxone on Myself?

No, naloxone is administered to someone after an overdose has occurred. Because the individual who overdosed is likely unconscious and/or their movement and breathing are restricted, they would need assistance.

### Can Naloxone Prevent an Overdose?

No, naloxone cannot be taken prior to using drugs to prevent an overdose.

### Is Naloxone Addictive?

No, naloxone is safe to use and is not addictive.

### Is Naloxone Easy to Use?

Yes, naloxone is easy to use and medical training is not required.

### Can Anyone Carry Naloxone?

Yes, anyone can purchase and/or carry naloxone to help respond to an overdose. It is not just for people with an opioid or other substance use disorder. Having naloxone available allows bystanders to help save lives by preventing a fatal overdose.

*For more information, please go to: <https://www.cdc.gov/stopoverdose/naloxone/faq.html>*

### **Watch the Film “Dead on Arrival”**

“Dead on Arrival” is a powerful documentary on the dangers of fentanyl by Dominic Tierno and Christine Wood. The film explores the stories of four families who lost loved ones to fentanyl in various ways and its larger impact on communities of all types. In addition to the suffering and pain that fentanyl has brought to families and neighborhoods, the film is also a primer on what makes this epidemic so deadly and pervasive. It looks at the manufacture, counterfeiting, marketing, and distribution process that allows fentanyl to sneak into anyone’s home.

To view, please search Natural High-Dead on Arrival on YouTube or type the following in your browser:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zm6gSES0GaE>