

Get Ready to Save Lives! Download the Opioid Overdose Resuscitation Card

The following message is from R. Gil Kerlikowske, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

More than 20,000 people die from drug overdose each year in America. Addictive disorders don't discriminate by age, race, gender, or socioeconomic condition. They can affect anyone. Opioid painkiller abuse and its consequences has reached the level of an epidemic in this country, and reversing that epidemic is a core focus of the Administration's efforts to [reform drug policy in America](#). So, we're proud to announce a new tool released this week by the American Society of Anesthesiologists: the [Opioid Overdose Resuscitation card](#).

The ASA Opioid Overdose Resuscitation card lists symptoms to look for when an opioid overdose is suspected. It also details step-by-step instructions for assisting a person suspected of an overdose prior to the arrival of emergency medical personnel.

[Download the card today](#). Help save a life -- share this card on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Whether you're a first responder, patient, prescriber, survivor or family member, you can also find valuable information [in this opioid overdose toolkit, developed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration](#).

Thank you for your commitment to making America a safer, healthier country. We're honored to be able to support your efforts.