

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING ON NOVEMBER 3, 2020
FROM:	CHERYL SMITH MANAGING DIRECTOR, NEIGHBOURHOOD, CHILDREN AND FIRE SERVICES AND SCOTT STAFFORD MANAGING DIRECTOR, PARKS AND RECREATION
SUBJECT:	NASAL NALOXONE KITS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC USE IN SOME CITY OF LONDON FACILITIES UPDATE REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director of Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services and the Managing Director of Parks and Recreation the following actions be taken:

- a) this report dated November 3, 2020, entitled "Nasal Naloxone Kits Available for Public Use in Some City of London Facilities Update Report" BE RECEIVED; and,
- b) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to continue to supply two nasal Naloxone kits for public use with each publicly accessible Automated External Defibrillator (AED) at those City facilities that operate year-round;

it being noted that the Middlesex-London Health Unit supports this recommendation.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

- Making Nasal Naloxone Kits Available for Public Use in Some City of London Facilities (February 20, 2019)

STRATEGIC PLAN LINKAGES 2019-2023

Strengthening our Community: Londoners have access to the services and supports that promote well-being, healthy, and safety in their neighbourhoods and across the city.

BACKGROUND

On March 5, 2019, Council resolved that on the recommendation of the Managing Director of Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services and the Managing Director of Parks and Recreation, in response to the Municipal Council resolution of June 13, 2018, the following policy direction and implementation plan to install nasal Naloxone Kits for public use at some City of London facilities BE APPROVED:

- place up to two nasal Naloxone kits for public use with each publicly accessible Automated External Defibrillator (AED) at those City facilities that operate year-round;
- install appropriate signage to assist the public to locate and access the nasal Naloxone kits;
- the program will operate as a pilot program for one year commencing in June of 2019 and the Civic Administration will report to Municipal Council on the usage of the nasal Naloxone kits at the end of the pilot program; and,
- the Civic Administration will assist the Middlesex-London Health Unit in the scheduling of at least one public education session, in which Middlesex-London Health Unit will provide information and education to the public regarding nasal Naloxone kits;

it being noted that the Middlesex-London Health Unit's Medical Officer of Health supports this plan. (2019-S08) (AS AMENDED) (2.7/3/CPSC).

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the usage of the Nasal Naloxone Kits after one year and to recommend the continued use at some City facilities.

Evaluation of the Pilot Program

In June 2019, Civic Administration purchased and placed two nasal Naloxone kits with each publicly accessible AED at 26 City facilities that operate year round. Each kit contains two Naloxone nasal

sprays, manufacturer’s instructions, ID card, Nitrile gloves, and an optional breathing mask. Signage was installed at each station indicating the availability of the kits and further instructions to call 911 in the event of an emergency.

Civic Administration assisted the Middlesex-London Health Unit (MLHU) to schedule two public education sessions, in which MLHU provided information and education to the public regarding nasal Naloxone use. In total, four members of the public attended the sessions.

As this program is intended to make nasal Naloxone kits available for public use, City staff are not required as part of their job duties to administer nasal Naloxone. However, staff who regularly work at facilities where the kits are available were provided with awareness training on the purpose and use of the kits. Additional health and safety training ensured awareness about the steps to be taken in the event of an emergency, including how to address risks associated with the public’s use of nasal Naloxone. In total 598 staff were trained and 33 Supervisors are able to train new staff as part of orientation.

The City’s nasal Naloxone kits are routinely inspected, and missing or expired medication is replaced. There have been no incidents of theft of Naloxone kits at the time this report was written.

One kit has been used since they were made available in June 2019. Nasal Naloxone was administered by Victoria Park staff on a member of the public in February 2020.

It should be noted that Naloxone is widely distributed and available in the community. The City of London Fire Department is trained and carry Naloxone kits on vehicles. According to the MLHU, in 2019 a total of 5,289 Naloxone kits were distributed and 690 were administered. These statistics do not include fire, police, or paramedic administration of Naloxone.

NEXT STEPS

Pending Council’s approval of the recommended implementation approach, Civic Administration will undertake the following actions:

- Continue to purchase nasal Naloxone kits for City facilities that are operated year round where the AED is publicly accessible (currently 26 locations);
- Collect data on the number of kits used and share that data with the MLHU; and,
- Continue to create and conduct awareness training for staff which includes where the nasal Naloxone kits are located as well as the intended purpose and usage of nasal Naloxone noting that City staff will not be required as part of their job duties to administer nasal Naloxone.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The total cost of the one year pilot program was \$12,600 which was covered through existing Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services and Parks and Recreation budgets. This included the purchasing of kits, the cost of signage, and staff training.

The ongoing annual cost to continue to provide nasal Naloxone at the current 26 facilities, will be approximately \$8,000. This includes ongoing training by Supervisors, replacing the kits every 18 months, and replacing signage as needed.

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