NARCOTIC OVERDOSE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

BLUE LIPS AND FINGERS | DROWSY/UNRESPONSIVE | FAST/SLOW/ABSENT PULSE SHALLOW/SLOW OR ABSENT RESPIRATIONS

INTERVENTION

- 1. Assure the scene is safe for bystanders and yourself.
- 2. Medically assess the patient.
- 3. If you note a pulse but few or no respirations, assist with the breathing.
- 4. If you suspect narcotics are involved, administer the nasal naloxone after at least 2 rescue breaths.

NO PULSE AND NOT BREATHING:

- 1. If no pulse and no respirations, begin CPR and assist with the breathing.
- 2. If appropriate and available, apply the Automatic External Defibrillator.
- 3. If you suspect narcotics are involved, administer the nasal naloxone.

NALOXONE ADMINISTRATION

- 1. Remove the two caps from each end of the applicator.
- 2. Take the cap off the medication.
- 3. If not previously done, apply the atomizer onto the end of the applicator.
- 4. Screw the medication into the applicator. There is a needle within the applicator that bevels into the syringe and will release the medication when the syringe is pushed.
- 5. Insert the atomizer into the nostril and push the syringe.
- 6. Apply one milliliter (ml) into each nostril. The amount is measured on the side of the syringe.