



Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 002711
Date 31 August 2018

Take-Home Naloxone

Request:

I submit this request for specific information regarding Take-home Naloxone (THN) provision in the City of Wolverhampton Council area of responsibility.

This information is sought under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

Please submit the information requested in Questions 4 using the format provided below, by either highlighting applicable answers or deleting as appropriate (4a. – 4h.), and following the instructions in *red italics*.

1. Is Take-home Naloxone (THN) currently provided, and if not, why not? **Yes**

If THN is currently provided:

2. How many Naloxone kits were purchased for distribution in the local authority area in the 2017/18 financial year (i.e. between 1st April 2017 and 31st March 2018)? **Unknown – purchased as a block cross county order by the provider.**
3. How many THN kits were dispensed in the community in the 2017/18 financial year (i.e. between 1st April 2017 and 31st March 2018)? **33**
4. Which of the following groups, if any, are currently provided with THN? *Please note if a group does not exist in the local authority area, such as if there are no opioid detoxification services or no outreach services for homeless populations.*
 - a. Clients accessing Needle and Syringe Programmes (NSPs)? **Yes if in treatment, if not advised to purchase.**
 - b. Opioid Substitution Therapy (OST) patients? **Yes**
 - c. Clients leaving community/residential/inpatient opioid detoxification? **Yes**
 - d. Clients accessing community pharmacies? **No unless in treatment.**
 - e. People in contact with outreach services for homeless populations? **Not in 2017**
 - f. Family members, friends of and/or carers for individuals at risk of an opioid-related overdose? **Receive training at the same time as client, the client takes possession of the kit.**
 - g. None of the above groups are currently provided with THN kits;
 - h. Other - *Please note any other group(s) of individuals that are currently provided with THN kits:*

5. Please briefly describe any initiatives (particularly peer-driven initiatives) that have been implemented to improve access to take-home naloxone in the local authority area?

Six Naloxone workshops have been provided for community agencies including all P3 hostels, West Midlands Travel, Solace, Service User Involvement Team, city centre ambassadors and Navigator with a total of 49 staff attending. A Naloxone pack will be given to all hostels that attended training to put in their first aid boxes in order for them to use if needed. Further workshops are planned over the year.