

# Good Samaritan Law

AB 472

Good Samaritan Laws are designed to encourage people to seek medical care for the overdose victim by providing limited protection from arrest, charge, and/or prosecution for low-level drug violations.

**Witnesses are protected even if they exhibit the following:**

- Under the influence of drugs
- In possession of small amounts of drugs
- In possession of drug paraphernalia

**Protect your friends.  
Protect yourself. Call 911 in  
the event of an overdose.**

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# Harm Reduction Principles

## Health & Dignity

Quality of life and well-being are central to successful interventions and policies for people who use drugs

## People-Centered Services

Non-judgemental and non-coercive services and resources for the community and people who use drugs.

## Involvement

People have a voice in the creation of the type of supplies they receive and the programs and policies that serve them.

## Autonomy

Empower people to be the agents of their own change and support each other in a way that addresses the conditions of harm

## Sociocultural Factors

Social inequalities like poverty, class, racism, social isolation, trauma, and sex-based discrimination affect people's vulnerability to harm and ability to manage it.

## Pragmatism

Never minimize or ignore harm and danger associated with substance use or other risky behaviors.

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# Know Your Rights

## Syringe Possession

HSC 11364; HSC 121349; AB 2077

- Lawful to possess syringes for personal use
- No limit to syringes possessed, can be from any source
- Lawful to possess for disposal
- No age restriction

## Syringe Distribution

HSC 121349; BPC 4145

- Syringes can be dispensed without a prescription by physicians, pharmacists, or syringe service providers
- No limit on the number of syringes given

## Naloxone (NARCAN)

CC 1714; BPC 4052

- Anyone may possess Naloxone
- Anyone may administer Naloxone to someone they believe is experiencing an overdose

## Paraphernalia

HSC 121349

- California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and local health departments may designate materials for distribution by syringe service programs such as SHRC and these materials are NOT considered drug paraphernalia
- CDPH designates all materials from its Clearinghouse, where SHRC gets its supplies, as necessary for the prevention of disease, injury, or overdose.
- It is **LAWFUL** to possess all of these items from syringe service program, such as safer smoking, injecting, snorting, etc.



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# Sierra Harm Reduction Coalition

Harm Reduction Services for El Dorado County

## ¡Juntos ayudamos a ayudarnos!

Nos encontramos en Sierra Harm Reduction Coalition proveemos alojamiento de basado en la comunidad Harm Reduction services en

El Dorado para promover la calidad de vida de las personas que consumen drogas. Creemos en la seguridad de nuestra comunidad.

Respetamos los derechos ya la autonomía de las personas que consumen drogas.



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