

RESPONDING TO PROLONGED SEDATION

Sedatives like benzos or medetomidine are in the unregulated drug supply in BC. A person who has consumed substances with sedatives may become unresponsive. **Know what to do.**

IF A PERSON IS NOT RESPONSIVE

Check: are they **breathing normally**?

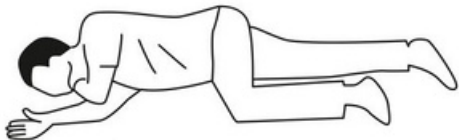
- Taking 12 or more breaths per minute
- Making no unusual sounds (gurgling, choking)

YES

NO

1 Stop giving naloxone

2 Lay them on their side in the recovery position



3 Check if their mouth is clear

4 Call 911

5 Monitor breathing, pulse, and responsiveness until help arrives

1 Call 911

2 Check their pulse
If they have no pulse, give CPR with compressions and rescue breaths

3 Give 1 breath every 5 seconds in between naloxone doses

4 Give naloxone every 3 minutes until they are breathing normally

5 Monitor breathing, pulse, and responsiveness until help arrives