

Members of the public can carry naloxone in case they encounter a person experiencing an opioid overdose. But how do you know if someone needs naloxone and how do you administer it? Health care providers are often trained to respond in these types of situations, and prior to the onset of COVID-19, public health organizations were offering in-person trainings to the public.

But how do we get even more people trained and motivated to save lives from opioid overdoses, especially in our current socially distanced world?

A group of interdisciplinary researchers from the University of Pennsylvania and the Philadelphia Department of Public Health developed a virtual reality immersive video training aimed at doing just that. Their new study -- published recently in *Drug and Alcohol Prevention* -- shows that the VR training is just as effective as an in-person training at giving the public both the knowledge and the confidence they need to administer naloxone and save lives. Read the article below:

Scan the QR Code and give it a try or visit the link here <https://www.virtualinnovation.org/wp/>

