First Responders Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Program

(FR-CARP)

Iowa’s First Responder’s Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Project (FR-CARP) began implementation in 2019, through receipt of a federally funded grant issued by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA).

This program is specifically created in effort to build a collaborative system that educates and enables first responders to

- Recognize opioid overdose
- Administer naloxone
- Refer patients to treatment
- Reduce overdose related death

FR-CARP training is provided by service area coordinators and is available statewide, upon request. This educational course is sponsored through IDPH and provides 2 CEHs for participants.

IDPH will provide naloxone to EMS agencies that have completed the training program. Medication received through the program will be continually replenished after use or product expiration.

If your agency is interested in completing FR-CARP training or have any further questions regarding the program, please reach out to our state coordinator.

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