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### Harm Reduction Vending Machine Installed at Huron County Public Health

NORWALK, Ohio—Huron County Public Health (HCPH) is excited to announce the agency's new public health vending machine, located outside of HCPH's offices at 28 Executive Drive in Norwalk.

This vending machine was selected as one of many county-wide strategies to be supported by the HEALing Communities Study, which aims to significantly reduce opioid-related overdose deaths and increase distribution of naloxone, access and utilization of medication for opioid use disorder, and increase safer prescribing of opioids. The main purpose of this vending machine is to increase the availability of free naloxone for the community, but other items will also be available.

The following items will be stocked in the vending machine, which will be available to the public 24/7. All items offered are FREE to the community. HCPH staff will restock the vending machine Mondays-Fridays (excluding holidays) but cannot guarantee 24/7 availability of any products.



Photo of the vending machine installed July 5, 2023 at HCPH main offices at 28 Executive Drive, Norwalk, Ohio.



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- **Kloxxado** – Nasally administered form of naloxone (8mg). More information: <https://kloxxado.com/>
- **Fentanyl Test Strips** – A harm reduction tool intended to prevent overdoses and reduce harm. More information: <https://www.cdc.gov/stopoverdose/fentanyl/fentanyl-test-strips.html>.
- **Deterra Drug Deactivation and Disposal Pouches** – Provide safe, convenient, and permanent disposal of unused, expired, or unwanted medications at home. More information: <https://deterrasystem.com/products-for-business/pouches-for-business/>.
- **COVID-19 at-home test kits**
- **Condoms/Safe Sex Kits**

More information about the HEALing Communities Study in Huron County can be found at <http://healtogetheroh.org/Huron>.

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