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CALOPTIMA HEALTH PARTNERS WITH CRIME SURVIVORS RESOURCE CENTER TO DISTRIBUTE 49,000 DOSES OF NALOXONE

Drive to Revive event bolsters community access to lifesaving overdose reversal medication

ORANGE, Calif. (March 26, 2025) — CalOptima Health, in partnership with the Crime Survivors Resource Center, successfully distributed 49,000 doses of naloxone to more than 45 provider and community-based organizations during its latest Drive to Revive event on March 21. The naloxone distribution event, which took place in Santa Ana, aimed to equip local organizations with the tools to combat opioid overdoses and save lives in Orange County.

Naloxone, a medication that reverses opioid overdoses, is a critical resource in addressing the ongoing opioid crisis. By providing free doses to registered organizations, CalOptima Health and the Crime Survivors Resource Center are empowering providers and community groups to respond effectively to overdose emergencies for our CalOptima Health members and the community. Attendees also received training and instructions on how to administer the medication.

“CalOptima Health is committed to addressing the opioid crisis head-on by ensuring that our community has access to naloxone as a lifesaving resource,” said Michael Hunn, Chief Executive Officer of CalOptima Health. “By partnering with the Crime Survivors Resource Center, we are taking meaningful steps to protect our most vulnerable residents and support the organizations that serve them.”

Patricia Wenskunas, Founder and CEO of the Crime Survivors Resource Center, emphasized the importance of collaboration in tackling the opioid epidemic. “Working alongside CalOptima Health to distribute 49,000 doses of naloxone is a powerful step toward saving lives and supporting survivors,” Wenskunas said. “This event not only provides critical resources but also raises awareness about the importance of overdose prevention, ensuring our community is better prepared to respond to this crisis.”

CalOptima Health created the Drive to Revive effort in 2024 to address public health challenges in Orange County. By focusing on naloxone distribution, the health insurer plays a vital role in supporting the region’s safety net and promoting health equity. Additional naloxone is available by request. Email naloxone@caloptima.org for more information.

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About CalOptima Health

A county organized health system, CalOptima Health provides quality health care coverage for low-income children, adults, seniors and people with disabilities in Orange County, California. CalOptima Health’s mission is to serve member health with excellence and dignity, respecting the value and needs of each person. CalOptima Health serves more than 915,000 members with a network of 8,400 primary care doctors and specialists and 43 acute and rehab hospitals.