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## Lucas County Opioid Response to COVID19 3.23.20

### **NOSS to Operate Thursday Clinic**

The Northwest Ohio Syringe Services (NOSS) will continue operating clinic hours every Thursday from 1:00pm-3:45pm at Talbot Clinical Services. NOSS will provide syringes and other sterile injection equipment in a non-judgmental, anonymous and supportive setting. In addition to syringe services, NOSS will have Naloxone available, as well as fentanyl test strips, safer sex supplies, and biohazard containers.

At this time intake paperwork will be postponed for new participants. Visitors will be given a months' worth of sterile supplies. NOSS has doubled the supplies brought to each clinic to deflect any shortages and extra naloxone is on hand.

### **NOSS Hours and Locations**

#### **Thursday's, 1:00pm-3:45pm**

Talbot Clinical Services, LLC, 732 Main St., Toledo, OH

### **Naloxone Information**

While we are attempting to keep the public safe and healthy, Harm Reduction Ohio is offering to accommodate any Ohio residents that might need a naloxone kit sent to their home during this time. Kits can be ordered at no cost by visiting: <https://www.harmreductionohio.org/get-naloxone/>.

Naloxone is available for personally furnishing at the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department, 635 N. Erie St., Toledo, OH. TLCHD is utilizing a drive-through method of dispensing that is helping to minimize the amount of visitors in the building.

TLCHD and NOSS staff will be implementing social distancing guidance. Staff members will be wearing gloves and providing hand sanitizer when visitors enter the clinic. Anyone sick or experiencing any symptoms are encouraged to stay home.

In the event of an overdose increase in Lucas County during the ongoing state of COVID-19, a response plan is in place and includes distribution of naloxone kits.

Changes to staffing and clinic hours may occur as guidelines for COVID19 change. For updates, follow the health department on social media:

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