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PASSAIC COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ADMINISTER NALOXONE IN TOTOWA ON MARCH 15, 2017

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Totowa Police Chief Robert W. Coyle announce that law enforcement officers in Passaic County administered Naloxone to one subject on March 15, 2017. Naloxone is a medicine administered by way of a spray into the subject's nostrils to counteract an opioid overdose.

Totowa police officers deployed Naloxone at 3:33 p.m. to a 21 year old male who resides in West Milford, New Jersey. Officers administered two doses of Naloxone and the subject became responsive. Care of the subject was transferred to local emergency medical services.

Responding officers reported observing a syringe and a glassine stamped "Made in Mexico" containing alleged heroin residue at the scene.

Since 2014, members of law enforcement in Passaic County have received training in the administration of Naloxone to respond to suspected opiate overdoses. This incident is the twenty-ninth (29th) Naloxone deployment in Passaic County in 2017.