



# The Office of Legislator Al Krupski

## Suffolk County Legislator

### 1<sup>st</sup> District

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## **Legislator Al Krupski Announces NARCAN Training Class**

To help address the growing number of heroin and prescription pain medication overdoses, a Narcan Training Class will be held on **Tuesday March 15th, 6:30 pm**, at the **Cornell Extension building, located at 423 Griffing Ave Riverhead**. The training is being organized by Suffolk County Legislator Al Krupski and is sponsored by Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone and the Suffolk County Department of Health Services.

Legislator Krupski, who represents the First Legislative District, stated “We know the incidence of heroin and prescription drug use and overdose is a big problem in Suffolk County, including within my own district. Not only must we address the root cause of drug abuse and addiction, but the community should be better prepared to deal with these life threatening emergencies.”

NARCAN can be administered in the event of an opioid overdose as it reverses or acts as an antagonist to the effects drugs such as heroine, hydrocodone and oxycodone. The growing use of NARCAN is credited with saving many lives that would have otherwise been lost to drug overdoses.

Participants will be trained in recognizing opioid overdose, the proper way to administer intranasal NARCAN and what to do until EMS arrives. Certificates of Completions as well as an emergency resuscitation kit which includes NARCAN will be given to individuals who take in the course.

**Please put this information in your community calendars.**

Those interested in the training should contact John Stype at Suffolk County Legislator Al Krupski’s office at 631-852-3200 or by email [john.stype@suffolkcountyny.gov](mailto:john.stype@suffolkcountyny.gov) before March 7, 2016.