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SARATOGA COUNTY TO HOLD COMMUNITY NARCAN TRAINING PRESENTATION

BURNT HILLS, NY – Saratoga County will hold a free, 60-minute Narcan training presentation and distribution event on **Tuesday, February 27th, from 1:00 PM-2:00 PM at The Ballston Community Public Library** (2 Lawmar Lane, Burnt Hills, NY 12027). This event is in partnership with the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office, Saratoga County Department of Health, and The Ballston Community Public Library.

Registration is required for this event. To register, please call The Ballston Community Public Library at 518-399-8174 or visit the website at bcpl.sals.edu.

During the 60-minute Narcan training presentation, participants will learn how to recognize an opioid overdose and administer nasal Narcan. Participants will receive a free Narcan rescue kit, which includes two doses of Narcan, a rescue breathing face shield, a certificate of training, a drug disposal system, and a mental health and substance use disorder resource guide.

Naloxone, sold under the brand name Narcan, is a safe medication that can save someone's life by reversing the effects of an opioid overdose. It only works on opioids, such as heroin, prescription pain medications, and fentanyl, but is safe to use even if opioids are not present. 911 should always be called after administering Naloxone. New York State's Good Samaritan Law allows people to call 911 without fear of arrest if they are having a drug overdose that requires emergency medical care or if they witness someone overdosing.

Residents who are unable to attend the training event can request an overdose rescue kit and view upcoming training events at www.saratogacountyny.gov/narcan.

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