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NPD Saves Two with NARCAN in First Full Month of Usage

NPD has successfully used NARCAN twice in the first month after training and equipping supervisors with it in October. On November 15th at approximately 12:07am, NPD responded for an overdose of a 23-year old female at the Rodeway Inn who was barely breathing. Upon arrival, the caller told NPD the victim was a heroin user. NPD administered NARCAN to the female and shortly after she sat up and began taking full breaths of air. She was transported to Christiana Hospital for further evaluation.

On November 29th at approximately 11:56pm, NPD responded to the McDonald's parking lot on South College Avenue for an overdose. People in the area directed officers to a 21 year-old male who was turning blue. NPD observed he was barely breathing and had a faint pulse. After seeing evidence of drug use near the male, NPD administered NARCAN to the male. The male began breathing normally after approximately 1-2 minutes and was transported to Christiana Hospital for further evaluation.

NPD Chief Paul Tiernan said, "While overdoses are an unfortunate and preventable event, I am very proud of these officers for using their very recent training to help save these two individuals."

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