

# Xylazine (Tranq)



Xylazine is a central-nervous system depressant, painkiller and muscle relaxant. The extreme sedative effects of xylazine can cause people to stop breathing, increasing the likelihood of death.

## Harm Reduction Advice

- **Do not use alone** - make sure someone is with you to call for help when needed.
- **Carry Naloxone** - make sure you always carry Naloxone in case of overdose. Ideally carry multiple kits.
- **Monitor and treat wounds** - Xylazine causes difficult to treat skin and tissue sores which can appear at the site of injection but often appear elsewhere on the body and even when not injected. Monitor injection sites and other wounds and immediately seek medical attention if the infection worsens or is not healing.

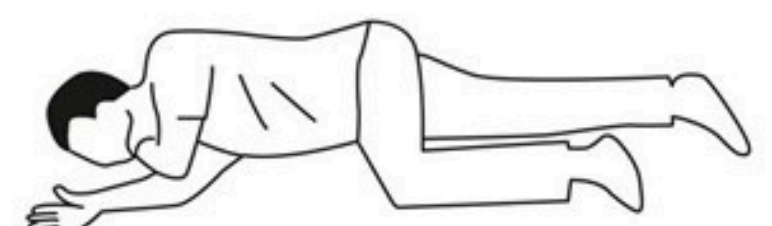
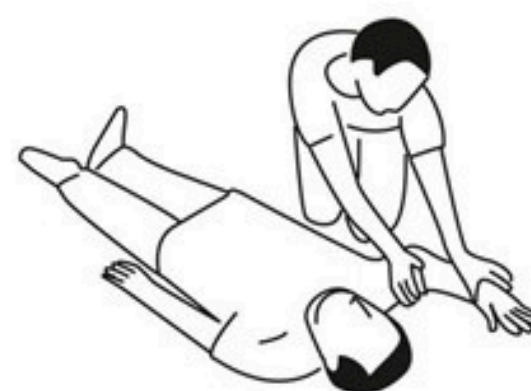
## Responding to an overdose

**Put them in the recovery position, administer Naloxone and call for help.**

*Naloxone does not reverse the effects of a xylazine overdose but should still be administered in the event of an overdose as xylazine overdoses largely include opioids.*

## Get help

If you are worried about any substances, please talk to a member of [Forward staff](#), who can provide you with support, information and advice.



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