

To the office of U.S. Senator Rick Scott

Re: SRES 770 (119th Congress), A resolution designating June 6, 2026, as National Naloxone Awareness Day. • Latest action (2026-06-15): Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S2792; text: CR S2791-2792)
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National Naloxone Awareness Day Resolution — Strengthened with Community Funding Incentive

The measure, as described from the official record: Designate a single day, June 6, 2026, as National Naloxone Awareness Day, to promote public awareness of naloxone as a tool to reverse opioid overdoses.

THE PROPOSAL

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This resolution may be cited as the 'National Naloxone Awareness Day Resolution of 2026'.

SECTION 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS. It is the sense of Congress that—
(1) naloxone is a life-saving medication that reverses opioid overdoses when administered promptly;
(2) increasing public awareness of naloxone and reducing stigma around its use can prevent overdose deaths;
(3) federal, state, local, and tribal governments, as well as community organizations, should use June 6, 2026, to provide education and training on naloxone administration.

SECTION 3. DESIGNATION. June 6, 2026, is designated as 'National Naloxone Awareness Day.'

SECTION 4. SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY AWARENESS EVENTS. To further the awareness goals of this resolution, the Secretary of Health and Human Services is authorized to make grants to states and Indian tribes to support community-based naloxone awareness events held on or around June 6, 2026. Grant funds may be used for public service announcements, training materials, and the purchase of naloxone for distribution at such events.

SECTION 5. FUNDING. There is authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2026, to remain available until expended, to carry out Section 4. Funds shall be derived from unobligated balances in the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund.

OPERATIVE PROVISIONS (VFA PROPOSAL)

Funding Source	Unobligated balances in the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund
Funding Amount	\$5,000,000
Sunset Years	1 years

Oversight Body	Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General
Enforcement Mechanism	Grantees must submit a post-event report to HHS detailing expenditures and number of individuals trained or naloxone kits distributed. Failure to submit report by December 31, 2026, results in loss of eligibility for future similar grants.
Effective Date	Upon enactment

CONSTITUTIONAL BASIS

- Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 (Spending Clause: general welfare, limited funding for a specific national purpose)
 - Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 (Commerce Clause: interstate traffic in opioids and naloxone)
 - Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 (Necessary and Proper Clause: implementation of enumerated powers)
 - Tenth Amendment (reservation to states: optional participation, no commandeering)
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WHY BOTH SIDES CAN BACK IT (VFA'S ASSESSMENT)

Democratic priorities honored: Direct federal investment in harm reduction and community-based public health initiatives; supports underserved communities and tribal nations. Republican priorities honored: Narrow, one-time funding derived from existing appropriations, not new revenue; minimal federal footprint with state/tribal flexibility and strict reporting requirement; promotes personal and community responsibility rather than mandates.

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