

**Lake County Sheriff's Office
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**Woman Surrendering on a Warrant is Saved by Sheriff's
Employees After Overdosing**

On July 12, 2018, at approximately 12:55PM, a 37-year-old woman of North Chicago, self-surrendered herself to the Lake County Jail because she had an active arrest warrant for possession of a controlled substance (bond amount set at \$100,000.00). The woman came to the Jail Reception area to turn herself in on the warrant.

A short time after arriving, she collapsed on the floor, became unconscious, and began having labored breathing. The woman was exhibiting symptoms of opioid overdose. Corrections Officer Dionne Dawson administered two doses of Naloxone, which had minimal effect. Deputy Christopher Perley arrived and administered a third dose, which also had minimal effect. Corrections Officer Dawson administered another dose and the woman regained her consciousness.

Waukegan Paramedics arrived and transported the woman to a local hospital for evaluation.

Sheriff Mark Curran said, "When someone surrendering at the jail overdoses on opioids, it serves as yet another example of how serious an opioid epidemic we're facing. The Sheriff's Office continues to fight the epidemic by arresting drug dealers, educating the community, and carrying life-saving Naloxone."

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