



R.E.A.C.H. Plan

Addressing Substance Use & Opioid Overdose Deaths

The following efforts and initiatives are being employed to save lives, train the community, offer solutions and prevent deaths.



- Use Certified Peer Recovery Specialist (CPRS) in multiple areas. Certified Peer Recovery Specialists meet with clients, provide one-on-one naloxone trainings and assist with securing resources and services during regular *and* non-traditional hours
 - ◊ Community, Police, EMS
 - ◊ Detention Center
 - ◊ Social Services (pregnant women)
 - ◊ Harm Reduction Program
 - ◊ Syringe Services Program
 - ◊ Recovery Housing Resources



- Train community, HHS employees, detention center inmates, sheriff's office and library staff to administer naloxone (over 3,800 trained since 2014)
- Educate medical providers on Prescribing Drugs Responsibly (PDR)
- Produce and disseminate literature addressing stigma and resource related information
- Developed a pamphlet for first responders: "What to do after an overdose"
- Produced safe storage campaign posters: "Who's in your medicine cabinet?"
- Buprenorphine trainings for physicians and residents



- Walk-in assessment clinic started at Eastern Family Resource Center in May 2016
- Walk-in assessment clinic started at Liberty Family Resource Center in December 2017
- Strategic Brief Intervention and Referral Treatment (SBIRT) implemented at school-based wellness centers
- Screening assessments given at all substance abuse sites



- Opioid Intervention Team meets monthly to coordinate services (Fire, Police, Schools, Hospitals, BCDC, State's Attorney, Parole and Probation, Emergency Management, etc.)
- Conduct monthly Drug Overdose Lethality Review Team (DOLRT) assessments
- Opioid Misuse Prevention Coalition advisory meetings
- Drug Drop Boxes in collaboration with police precincts



- Staff the 88-REACH (410-887-3224) number to provide information and referrals for substance use and recovery services to residents
- Naloxone available in libraries, DSS offices, Health Clinics, and all middle and high schools
- Harm Reduction Program started December 2017
- Police and Sheriffs carry naloxone to assist overdose victims

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