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### OREGON OVERDOSE PREVENTION COORDINATION

in funded regions

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Since September 2020, Oregon Health Authority's (OHA) Injury and Violence Prevention Program (IVPP) funded Local Public Health Authorities (LPHAs) in 11 regions to support local overdose prevention work and expand programs and collaborations. Funded regions received a total of \$1,430,880 annually funded through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) State Opioid Response (SOR) grants. Funded regions developed and implemented overdose prevention projects that focus on the following **OD2A** or **SOR** strategies:

#### **OD2A Strategies**

OD2A and SOR\*

SOR Strategies

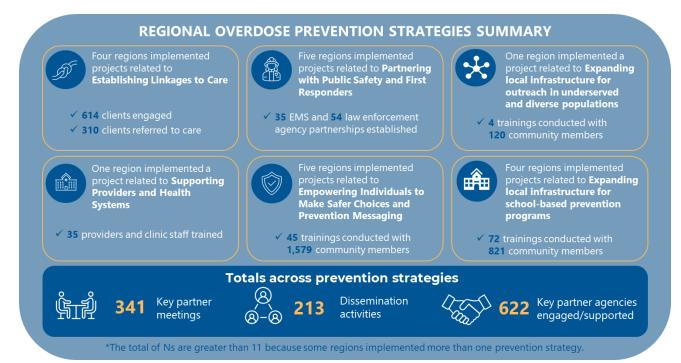
- Establish linkages to care
- Partner with public safely and first responders
- Support providers and health systems
- Empower individuals to make safer choices and prevention messaging
- Support outreach in underserved and diverse populations
- Support school-based prevention programs

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Data presented in this report were collected September 2022 – August 2023 through a quarterly online form, monthly overdose prevention coordinator meeting notes, and technical assistance meeting notes and emails.

#### STATEWIDE ACCOMPLISHMENTS SNAPSHOTS







#### Multistakeholder Partnership Accomplishments Summary

Funded regions worked with clinics and hospitals, SUD treatment agencies, harm reduction agencies, law enforcement, behavioral health, recovery community organizations, courts, jails, community corrections, schools and youth-serving organizations, first responders, tribal partners and emergency departments to build partnerships with public health.

#### Improved naloxone distribution efforts by:

- Providing education/training to organization staff to encourage naloxone distribution, dispensing, or prescribing
- ✓ Connecting organizations with available resources and funding
- ✓ Disseminating naloxone educational and promotional advertising material
- Providing information about local overdose prevention data and statistics
- ✓ Linking community partners to one another

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **PROGRESS ON PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS**

Funded regions continue to make progress on overdose prevention planning and response efforts and benefit from OHA and cross-region support. In previous annual reports covering October 2020 to August 2022, Comagine Health developed a series of recommendations for OHA based on challenges and barriers shared in previous data collection activities. The following table describes accomplishments in response to the previous challenges, barriers, and recommendations.

| Previous Recommendations  |                       | Accomplishments   |
|---|-----------------------|---|
| Continue to provide technical assistance meetings<br>with overdose prevention coordinators as a group<br>and individually                                   | <ul> <li>✓</li> </ul> | OHA provides weekly emails to overdose prevention<br>coordinators with local and national resources and<br>trainings.<br>OHA meets monthly with overdose prevention<br>coordinators individually and as a group.  |
| Ensure funded regions develop tailored program plans that address the unique needs facing their communities   | ~                     | OHA provided opportunities for funded regions to select CDC OD2A and SAMSHA SOR focused strategies to expand and enhance local.   |
| Strategize ways to support workforce<br>development and capacity to address turnover<br>among local overdose prevention staff                               | ¢                     | Local overdose prevention staff turnover was lower this<br>year compared to previous years. Two of the 11 funded<br>regions (18%) experienced overdose prevention staff<br>changes during this funding year. Of those two<br>regions, one experienced staff turnover and one added<br>a new lead staff. |
| Highlight the importance of data collection and reporting on overdose prevention efforts to assess program successes, challenges, and outcomes              | ~                     | OHA regularly supported efforts to ensure overdose prevention staff submitted timely and complete quarterly reporting data.   |
| Develop a statewide overdose emergency<br>response plan to provide a unified response to<br>overdose spikes and provide enhanced<br>surveillance to regions | ~                     | OHA finalized their statewide overdose emergency<br>response plan: Oregon State Overdose Response<br>Protocol.  |
| Establish clearer guidance for developing and<br>implementing an overdose emergency response<br>plan  | ~                     | All 11 regions are in the finalizing, implementing, or revising stages of their overdose emergency response plan.   |
| Provide consistent funding to avoid programming and service disruptions   | ~                     | CDC and SAMHSA funding have been secured to continue funding regions through 2024.  |
| Continue to support cross-region resource<br>sharing and communication, including<br>connections between schools to support policy<br>updates               | ✓<br>✓                | Cross-region subgroups (e.g., youth overdose<br>prevention advisory group) have been established to<br>facilitate knowledge and strategy sharing.<br>Cross-region resource and funding sharing occurred to<br>implement a fentanyl awareness campaign across<br>regions.                                |

| Previous Recommendations   |                                  | Accomplishments  |
|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Encourage funded regions to collaborate with<br>local partners across service sectors including<br>health care, prevention, treatment, recovery, harm<br>reduction, criminal justice, schools, and public<br>safety  | ✓<br>✓                           | From September 2022 – August 2023, funded regions<br>held 310 meetings with multisector stakeholder<br>groups.<br>Funded regions worked with clinics and hospitals, SUD<br>treatment agencies, harm reduction agencies, law<br>enforcement, behavioral health, recovery community<br>organizations, courts, jails, community corrections,<br>schools and youth-serving organizations, first<br>responders, tribal partners, and emergency<br>departments to build partnerships with public health. |
| Fund community-based organizations (CBOs)<br>who could assist LPHAs with the delivery of harm<br>reduction services and overdose prevention<br>coordination  | V                                | OHA funded seven CBOs in April 2022 to implement a<br>variety of local, culturally appropriate overdose<br>prevention projects ranging from upstream substance<br>use prevention to community education and harm<br>reduction. OHA facilitated relationships between CBOs<br>and LPHAs to promote local partnerships.  |
| Encourage LPHAs to provide support to eligible<br>CBOs to <u>submit applications</u> for the Save Lives<br>Oregon (SLO) Clearinghouse  | ~                                | All (100%) of the funded regions supported agencies<br>receiving SLO Clearinghouse supplies, including<br>providing information about SLO and linking<br>community partners to one another.  |
| Share and encourage use and distribution of<br>statewide resources, including <u>Save Live Oregon</u><br><u>Toolkit</u> , <u>Fentanyl &amp; Opioid Response Toolkit for</u><br><u>Schools</u> , and <u>Pharmacy Education: Respond to</u><br><u>Prevent</u>  | ~                                | OHA regularly shares SLO updates and resources during monthly meetings and weekly emails.  |
| Continue to implement innovative strategies to<br>decrease stigma by building on strong<br>community communication channels and<br>leverage support from trusted community<br>members and host community training events on<br>anti-stigma that are inclusive of community<br>members and key partner agencies | <ul> <li>✓</li> <li>✓</li> </ul> | OHA shared anti-stigma resources and webinars during<br>monthly meetings and weekly emails.<br>OHA partnered with researchers from the University of<br>Rochester and five funded regions to host "Community<br>Conversations on Opioid Use Disorder" train-the-<br>trainer workshops to identify community-led strategies<br>to reduce stigma, biases, and negative perceptions<br>around recovery.   |

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NEXT FUNDING YEAR**

Oregon's overdose crisis and the role of LPHA overdose prevention coordinators continues to evolve. To continue to support local overdose prevention programming, OHA should consider the following recommendations for next funding year:

- Continue to support cross-region resource and funding sharing. Cross-region collaborations have been very successful. Regions have been able to leverage funding to broaden reach and conserve staff time.
- Strengthen capacity for overdose emergency response plan implementation. OHA and all 11 regions are in the finalizing, implementing, or revising stages of their overdose emergency response plans this year. OHA and funded regions should work together

during local overdose emergency response activations to respond within their scopes and established roles effectively and efficiently.

- Continue providing consistent funding to avoid program and service disruptions and expand funding and resource opportunities beyond currently funded regions. Funded regions have benefited over recent years from consistent funding allowing them to establish long-term partnerships and support ongoing successful programming. In addition to OD2A and SOR funding, opioid settlement funding distribution started this year. This additional funding distribution over the next several years could offer an opportunity to engage additional regions to collaborate and implement overdose prevention best practices and programming. Increased funding for currently funded regions should also be considered to expand program and staff capacity and reach.
- Encourage cross-region connections between schools to support updated policies. Support OHA and Oregon Department of Education efforts to expand substance use and overdose prevention curriculum in schools. Develop strategies with funded regions to establish partnerships to contribute to local expanded curriculum discussions.
- Continue to prioritize naloxone distribution. Support continued overdose prevention coordinator efforts to promote the SLO Clearinghouse.
- Develop resources and discuss strategies to support local collaboration efforts.
   Funded regions reported challenges with developing and maintaining local collaborations due to capacity limitations. In addition to OHA developing or sharing additional resources, OHA could invite funded regions with successful long-term collaborations to share their stories and resources and provide direct mentorship to regions experiencing challenges.

### **INTRODUCTION**

As part of Oregon's Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and State Opioid Response (SOR) funding from Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Oregon Health Authority's (OHA) Injury and Violence Prevention Program (IVPP) funded Local Public Health Authorities (LPHAs) in 11 regions to support local overdose prevention work. Since September 2020, OHA has awarded \$1.4 million annually across the 11 regional partnerships, covering 23 of 36 counties, to improve local systems for preventing and responding to opioid and other drug overdoses.

Over the last couple years, regional overdose prevention has become increasingly complex due to increases in overdose rates and shifting drug preference, supply, and use behaviors. The work has expanded beyond a focus on improving opioid prescribing within clinics, and now includes strategies to support substance use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery and to promote harm reduction activities in the community.

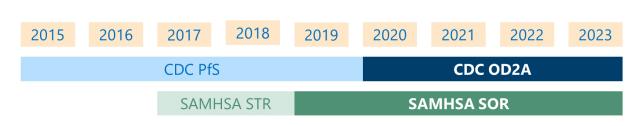
#### FENTANYL AND METHAMPHETAMINE IMPACTS

Methamphetamine and potent, illicitly manufactured varieties of the synthetic opioid fentanyl (IMF) have largely driven increasing numbers of overdoses since 2019. Fentanyl and/or methamphetamine contributed to nine out ten (90%) of unintentional/undetermined overdose deaths in Oregon in 2022. The number of individuals who lost their lives due to fentanyl and other synthetic opioids increased 61% from 2021 to 2022. Fentanyl is now the primary driver of Oregon's overdose crisis. The number of Oregonians dying from overdoses involving stimulants has more than tripled in recent years, from 256 stimulant-related overdose deaths in 2018 to 849 in 2022.

Overdoses involving more than one substance (polysubstance overdoses) continued to increase during 2022. More than half (58%) of the individuals who lost their lives from unintentional/undetermined overdose in 2022 died from a polysubstance overdose. Funded regions are tasked to adapt quickly to respond the evolving overdose crisis. This annual report highlights some of the innovative and enhanced strategies that regions are leveraging to implement a comprehensive approach that incorporates strategies and principles across the spectrum of prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction.

### BACKGROUND

Since 2015, OHA has funded selected counties and regions to implement overdose prevention programming. OHA has blended funding from CDC and SAMHSA to support local overdose prevention efforts. This section provides an overview of the history of overdose prevention funding for LPHAs and details about the current funded regions. See Exhibit A. for a timeline of LPHA overdose prevention funding.



**Exhibit A. LPHA Overdose Prevention Funding Timeline** 

#### **HISTORY OF OVERDOSE PREVENTION FUNDING FOR LPHAS**

#### 2015 to 2019: CDC Prevention for States (PfS)

In 2015, OHA received the CDC PfS grant to improve safe prescribing practices and prevent prescription drug overuse, misuse, and overdose. OHA funded selected LPHAs to implement programs to reduce fatal and non-fatal overdoses and harms to Oregonians from prescription opioids and expand use of non-opioid pain care.

#### 2017 to 2019: SAMHSA State Targeted Response (STR)

In 2017, OHA received the SAMSHA STR grant to enhance state and community-level efforts to advance public health interventions that reduce prescription drug overdoses and problematic prescribing of controlled substances. Funded regions aimed to increase access to medications for opioid use disorder with a special focus on improving access in Oregon's Tribal communities.

#### 2019 to 2023: SAMHSA State Opioid Response (SOR)

Starting in 2019, OHA has provided funding to LPHAs under SAMHSA SOR funding to support local overdose prevention efforts through the facilitation of community partnerships.

#### 2020 to 2023: CDC Overdose Data to Action (OD2A)

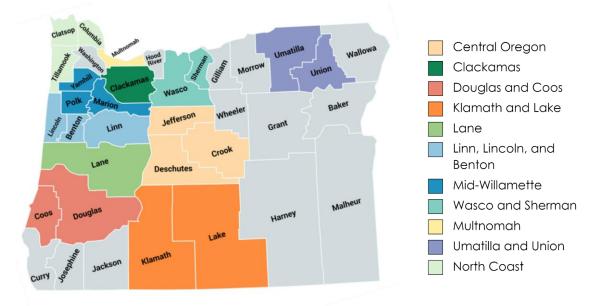
Starting in 2020, OHA was awarded CDC OD2A funding to obtain high-quality, comprehensive, and timely data on overdose morbidity and mortality and implement prevention and response efforts at the community and clinic levels. OHA began funding selected regions under OD2A in 2020 to improve naloxone distribution, develop overdose emergency response plans, and implement local strategies.

**Looking Forward -- 2023 to 2028: CDC** <u>Overdose Data to Action in States</u> (OD2A-S) Starting in 2023, OHA received ongoing CDC funding under OD2A-S. Similar to OD2A, OD2A-S directs funding to surveillance activities and prevention strategies. OD2A-S surveillance activities aims to expand opportunities to track fatal and nonfatal overdoses, emerging drug threats, and associated risk factors, and to enhance data linkage. OD2A-S prevention strategies aim to have systemic impacts. OHA plans to continue funding selected regions under OD2A-S to support naloxone distribution, overdose emergency response planning and implementation, and development and implementation of local strategies.

#### **CURRENT FUNDED REGIONS**

The complex and changing nature of the overdose crisis highlights the need for **an interdisciplinary, comprehensive, and cohesive** public health approach. Funded local public health authorities assume a pivotal role in preventing overdoses and mitigating other drugrelated harms. Funds provided to regions under these current awards are intended to be used to support the development and implementation of strategies to prevent substance use, substance use disorder, overdose, and other drug-related harms. OHA encourages funded regions to use funding to complement other overdose prevention initiatives, leverage resources, and build capacity and infrastructure to build sustainable strategies for overdose prevention. See Exhibit B for a map of current funded regions.

This braided OD2A and SOR funding opportunity, initiated in 2020, was designed to serve counties or regions with a high burden of overdose deaths and hospitalizations. The funding allocations to each region were determined based on burden. See Exhibit C for a list of annual regional funding amounts.



#### **Exhibit B. Map of Funded Regions**

High-burden regions were identified in 2020 by a combination of indicators, including:

- Rate of overdose deaths across drugs type
- Rate of overdose hospitalizations across all drugs
- Rates of risky opioid prescribing (e.g., rate of prescription fills > 90 MED)
- Identified High Intensity Drug Tracking Areas (HIDTA) county

Regions consist of one to three independent LPHAs or regional neighboring counties, with an LPHA serving as lead and receiving funding. At the start of the funding opportunity, funded regions were tasked with building or strengthening a community network within the high-burden region that contributes to reducing problematic prescribing, improving coordination of patient care for patients with opioid use disorder, and increasing the use of non-opioid treatment for chronic non-cancer pain.

As Oregon's overdose crisis continues to evolve, strategies have shifted so that funded regions are prioritizing engaging and establishing connections with multisector stakeholder groups, providing support and technical assistance related to naloxone distribution and training efforts, acting as a liaison between agencies to strengthen capacity to implement a regional overdose emergency response plan, implementing local prevention projects, and developing a more interconnected network of services. Overdose Prevention Coordinators are a resource for overdose prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and overdose emergency response planning within the county. They develop relationships to leverage funding with partners across sectors.

#### **Exhibit C. Annual Regional Funding Amount**

The total amount of CDC and SAMHSA funding awarded to funded regions for these efforts from September 2022 to August 2023 was **\$1,430,880**.

| Funded Region                                 | Annual Award Amount |
|---|---------------------|
| Central Oregon - Deschutes, Crook, Jefferson  | \$112,080           |
| Clackamas County                              | \$151,008           |
| North Coast - Clatsop, Tillamook, Columbia    | \$100,104           |
| Douglas and Coos Counties                     | \$144,984           |
| Klamath and Lake Counties                     | \$86,664            |
| Lane County                                   | \$163,380           |
| Linn, Lincoln, and Benton Counties            | \$133,524           |
| Multnomah County                              | \$209,916           |
| North Central – Wasco, Sherman                | \$91,296            |
| Umatilla and Union Counties                   | \$94,428            |
| Mid-Willamette Valley - Yamhill, Polk, Marion | \$143,496           |
| Total   | \$1,430,880         |

#### **REGIONAL OVERDOSE PREVENTION STRATEGIES**

Funded regions are expected to collaborate with multi-disciplinary partners and collaborators to develop, plan, implement, and evaluate culturally relevant interventions using tailored prevention strategies that emphasize reaching groups disproportionately affected by substance use disorder and overdose. Funded regions should coordinate with other projects within the county that address the community's challenges related to overdose deaths. OHA staff collaborate with each of the funded region's overdose prevention coordinators to develop, plan, and implement a tailored workplan. Funded regions are required to include strategies and objectives in their workplans related to the following components:

- Developing or sustaining a multisector stakeholder group
- Developing, expanding, and implementing an overdose emergency response plan
- Coordinating with partners to distribute naloxone and improve naloxone access
- Developing, expanding, and implementing one or more local prevention project related to the OD2A or SOR strategies outlined in the table below.

| OD2A Strategies   | OD2A and SOR*  | SOR Strategies  |
|---|--|---|
| <ul> <li>Establish linkages to care</li> <li>Partner with public safely and first responders</li> <li>Support providers and health systems</li> </ul> | Empower individuals to<br>make safer choices and<br>prevention messaging | <ul> <li>Support outreach in underserved<br/>and diverse populations</li> <li>Support school-based prevention<br/>programs</li> </ul> |

\*One OD2A strategy and one SOR strategy aligned, so we combined into one strategy to streamline the data collection process and decrease data entry burden.

See Exhibit D. for details about the regional overdose prevention strategy categories.

### Exhibit D. Overdose Prevention Strategy Category Descriptions

|   | Strategy Category                               | Description  |
|---|---|--|
| Æ | Establish linkages to care                      | Ensure people are connected to the care they need<br>by leveraging systems and upstream prevention<br>efforts.                             |
|   | Partner with public safely and first responders | Develop new and/or enhance existing partnerships<br>with public safety partners to improve data sharing<br>and advance prevention efforts. |

|   | Strategy Category  | Description   |
|---|--|---|
|   | Empower individual to make safer choices*  | Increase awareness about drug-related harms,<br>treatment, and risk reduction strategies to help<br>individuals make informed decisions.  |
|   | Support providers and health systems   | Support healthcare providers and health systems<br>with drug overdose prevention and response,<br>including expanding the use of evidence-based<br>prescribing and treatment practices. |
|   | Expand local infrastructure for prevention messaging*                                    | Deploy strategic awareness campaign focused on fentanyl risk and harm reduction.  |
| * | Expand local infrastructure<br>for outreach in<br>underserved and diverse<br>populations | Increase access to substance use and overdose prevention resources.   |
|   | Expand local infrastructure<br>for school-based<br>prevention programs                   | Support the expansion of local infrastructure for school-based prevention programs in schools, school districts, or education service districts.  |

\*Activities associated with "Empower individual to make safer choices" and "Expand local infrastructure for prevention messaging" aligned, so we combined into one strategy to streamline the data collection process and decrease data entry burden.

### **DATA COLLECTION**

This report includes four data collection activities: a quarterly progress online form, monthly overdose prevention coordinator meeting notes, weekly emails to overdose prevention coordinators, and technical assistance meeting notes. See Exhibit E. for a summary of data collection from funded regions from September 2022 to August 2023.

#### **Exhibit E. Data Collection Summary for Funded Regions**



Quarterly Progress Online Forms

Monthly Meeting



Weekly Emails Technical Assistance Notes

#### **QUARTERLY PROGRESS ONLINE FORM**

From September 2022 to August 2023, Comagine Health, in partnership with OHA, collected data quarterly from overdose prevention coordinators in each funded region. As a part of the reporting requirements, overdose prevention coordinators submitted responses through REDCap, a secure web-based data collection platform, about strategies, successes, and challenges related to multisector stakeholder partnerships, overdose emergency response planning, naloxone and harm reduction strategies, and local prevention projects being implemented in their funded region. The quarterly online form took approximately 45 to 60 minutes to complete.

The purpose of the online form was to help OHA track progress on overdose prevention efforts, understand what overdose prevention collaboration and implementation efforts were occurring, and identify in what ways overdose prevention coordinators were involved in those efforts. Comagine Health disseminated region-specific quarterly reports highlighting responses from the quarterly online form to OHA and funded regions. OHA uses these findings to provide technical assistance to overdose prevention coordinators to help support local overdose prevention efforts.

#### **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

#### **Monthly Overdose Prevention Coordinator Meetings Notes**

Comagine Health conducted a thorough review of the monthly overdose prevention coordinator meetings minutes. OHA identified high-priority agenda items based on current events or needs identified by overdose prevention coordinators. These meetings provide a platform for coordinators to establish connections to resources and engage in discussions about strategies unfolding within their funded regions. The primary objective of this data collection process is to gather information on regional successes, challenges, collaborations, strategic planning to address challenges, and the development of new interregional partnerships. These monthly discussions

aimed to foster open communication and shared learning among coordinators, aiming to improve effectiveness of overdose prevention efforts.

#### Monthly/Bi-monthly Technical Assistance Meetings Notes

Comagine Health reviewed the notes from individual meetings that OHA IVPP staff had with each of the 11 overdose prevention coordinators. The purpose of this data collection was to explore the ways OHA provided tailored support for each funded region.

#### Weekly Email to Overdose Prevention Coordinators

Comagine Health reviewed emails sent to overdose prevention coordinators that were sent out by OHA IVPP staff. These weekly emails were first sent out starting in January of 2022. The purpose of this data collection was to compile ways in which OHA disseminate materials and resources to inform and bolster regional overdose prevention efforts and activities.



### **STATEWIDE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Data collected from funded regions were combined to assess statewide progress. This section presents statewide accomplishments from multisector stakeholder partnerships, naloxone distribution efforts, and overdose emergency response planning.

#### **MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIPS**

Overdose prevention coordinators strategically position themselves as local experts, connecting points, and liaisons within their funded regions. Within funded regions multisector stakeholder groups meet regularly to partner on overdose prevention efforts, including naloxone distribution efforts, overdose emergency response planning, and local prevention projects. From September 2022 – August 2023, funded regions held 310 meetings with multisector stakeholder groups.

Funded regions engaged continuously with the following sectors as part of the multisector stakeholder partnerships:

| Sector                                      | Ν | %   |
|---|---|-----|
| Clinics and hospitals                       | 9 | 82% |
| Local SUD treatment agencies                | 6 | 55% |
| Local harm reduction agencies/organizations | 6 | 55% |
| Law enforcement agencies                    | 5 | 45% |
| Behavioral health agencies                  | 5 | 45% |
| Recovery community organizations            | 4 | 36% |
| Courts/jails/community corrections          | 4 | 36% |
| Fire departments                            | 2 | 18% |
| School / youth-serving organizations        | 2 | 18% |
| Emergency Medical Services (EMS)            | 1 | 9%  |
| Tribal partners                             | 1 | 9%  |
| Emergency departments                       | 1 | 9%  |

N = 11

#### **NALOXONE EFFORTS**

Funded regions collaborated with partners to implement strategies to improve naloxone access and awareness. During this funding year, funded regions shifted efforts from providing trainings and distributing naloxone to providing technical assistance for other groups to lead trainings and distribution efforts.

#### **Save Lives Oregon**

Save Lives Oregon (SLO) has been a crucial resource for funded regions. SLO is a collaboration of organizations providing harm reduction resources and support in Oregon and tribal communities. SLO aims to prevent overdose and reduce harms for people who use drugs. Organizations can request free technical assistance from experienced community partner programs and access a communications toolkit to build support and understanding for harm reduction. Qualified organizations can also apply for the SLO Clearinghouse and order life-saving supplies at no cost to them. Supplies may include:

- Overdose prevention supplies such as naloxone
- Wound care supplies
- Safer use supplies for people who use drugs •
- Personal sharps containers
- Fentanyl test strips
- Personal protective equipment (e.g., masks, hand sanitizer, cleaning supplies, and soap)

The SLO Clearinghouse has had significant impacts on the overdose prevention efforts in the funded region, facilitating increased naloxone distribution, bolstering community partnerships, and enabling access to harm reduction supplies.

#### **Naloxone Trainings and Technical Assistance**

Funded regions implemented a breadth of strategies to improve naloxone supply access and distribution. Funded regions worked with or provided support to organizations by:

- Providing education/training to organization staff to encourage naloxone distribution, dispensing, or prescribing (100%)
- Connecting organizations with available resources and funding (e.g., SLO Clearinghouse) (100%)
- Disseminating naloxone educational and promotional advertising material (100%)
- . Providing information about local overdose prevention data and statistics (100%)
- Linking community partners to one another (100%)
- Supplying naloxone (91%)
- Conducting outreach to track and determine naloxone supply (91%)
- Other: Technical assistance related to Narcan policy development (18%)

#### **Naloxone Trainings Overview**

(N = 11 funded regions)







# of trainings held # of individuals trained

# of naloxone doses distributed at trainings distributed

Funded regions worked with the following sectors to provide naloxone-related trainings or technical assistance:

| Sector                                      | N  | %   |
|---|----|-----|
| Schools / youth-service organizations       | 10 | 91% |
| Local SUD treatment agencies                | 9  | 82% |
| Local harm reduction agencies/organizations | 8  | 73% |
| Behavioral health agencies                  | 8  | 73% |
| Fire departments                            | 7  | 64% |
| Law enforcement agencies                    | 6  | 55% |
| Clinics and hospitals                       | 6  | 55% |
| Advocacy groups                             | 6  | 55% |
| Recovery community organizations            | 6  | 55% |
| Courts/jails/community corrections          | 5  | 45% |
| Tribal partners                             | 4  | 36% |
| Emergency Medical Services (EMS)            | 3  | 27% |
| Pharmacies                                  | 1  | 9%  |

N = 11

#### **OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING**

In the 2021-22 funding year, overdose prevention coordinators and their partners were tasked to demonstrate progress on the development of their local overdose emergency response plans. Overdose prevention coordinators were encouraged to use the Association Of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)'s <u>Responding to an Overdose Spike Guide for State Health Departments</u> document to guide their overdose emergency response plan development across 4 phases: 1) pre-incident planning, 2) immediate response through first 12 hours, 3) immediate response through 48 hours, and 4) longer term response after 48 hours. Each of the phases contain tasks for overdose prevention coordinators to complete.

In the current funding period, funded regions are finalizing, implementing, or making changes or updates to their overdose emergency response plan. Funded regions who have activated their overdose emergency response plan are tasked to detail any modifications made or updates identified as a result of the plan's implementation. **Six of the 11 funded regions activated the overdose emergency response plans this year.** Of the five that did not activate their plan, four of them updated their overdose emergency response plans this year.

### **REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECTS**

Regions were funded to collaborate with multidisciplinary partners to develop and expand local prevention projects that addressed community challenges related to overdose. Workplans were developed at the start of the funding year and each region developed one or more sustainable local prevention projects based on the following **OD2A** or **SOR** strategies:

| OD2A Strategies   | OD2A and SOR  | SOR Strategies  |
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| <ul> <li>Support providers and health<br/>systems</li> </ul>  |   | <ul> <li>Support school-based<br/>prevention programs</li> </ul>                    |

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Projects were intended to serve the unique needs of each region during from September 2022 to August 2023. Accomplishments in this section are intended to highlight successes aggregated across the 11 regions per each region's overdose prevention strategy(s).







**Empower individuals to make** safer choices and prevention messaging



Conducted 66 coordination meetings and engaged 97 key partners



Completed **21 dissemination activities** and engaged over **11,000 people via** social media



Provided 45 education events to 1,579 participants n=5

#### **Support providers and health** systems



staff

Provided **27 clinical skill-building** trainings to 35 providers and clinic

n=1



**Expand local infrastructure for** outreach in underserved and diverse populations



Conducted 16 coordination meetings and engaged 31 key partners



Completed 3 dissemination activities



Provided 4 overdose prevention trainings to 120 participants

n=1



**Expand local infrastructure for** school-based prevention programs



Conducted 49 coordination meetings and engaged 95 key partners



Completed 28 dissemination activities



Engaged 73 schools/school districts and 27 youth organizations



Provided 72 education events to 821 participants n=4

### **TECHINCAL ASSISTANCE**

To support funded regions in their overdose prevention programming and planning, OHA provided ongoing technical assistance, training, and resources to each of the 11 funded regions. OHA staff met individually and as a group with overdose prevention coordinators to identify and address barriers and challenges related implementation and sustainability. OHA disseminated weekly emails to overdose prevention coordinators highlighting available resources, data trends, and funding opportunities.

#### MONTHLY OVERDOSE PREVENTION COORDINATOR MEETINGS

During monthly overdose prevention coordinators meetings, OHA staff facilitated discussions and invited guest speakers to discuss the following topics:

- Overdose fatality review and OHA's upcoming pilot project
- Save Lives Oregon Clearinghouse
- Xylazine trends in Oregon
- Klamath County's Substance Use Resource Map
- Special Districts eligibility for Save Lives Oregon Clearinghouse for leave-behinds
- Lane County Fentanyl Aware Campaign
- Linking the State Unintentional Drug Overdose Reporting System (SUDORS) and Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Data in Oregon
- Oregon Opioids Settlement & HB 4098

Overdose prevention coordinators were encouraged to share what is happening in their region across topic areas. Through these discussions, OHA and overdose prevention coordinators identified areas of needed supports, which were explored through cross-regional conversations and follow-up discussions with OHA during technical assistance meetings.

#### FUNDED REGION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE MEETINGS

OHA met individually with overdose prevention coordinators on a monthly or bi-monthly basis to share updates and progress on naloxone assessment and distribution; overdose emergency response planning; regional program plans; budgets; and ongoing successes, challenges, and barriers. During these meetings, OHA would provide technical assistance and resources to support funded regions with their local project implementation. This includes identifying and developing action items to connect overdose prevention coordinators to state contacts (e.g., High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area and OHA Health Systems Division staff), providing information on data sources, providing information on state priorities and initiatives, sharing strategies and lessons learned from fellow overdose prevention coordinators, connecting overdose prevention coordinators with relevant information and resources, and responding to reporting questions for the quarterly progress online forms.

#### WEEKLY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE EMAILS

OHA systematically disseminated a weekly compilation of resources and updates to overdose prevention coordinators. This routine communication ensured that funded regions were informed of state and national activities and available resources and training opportunities.

Launched in January 2022, OHA has developed a streamlined process of direct communication to disseminate data, resources, and substance use disorder, overdose prevention, and harm reduction training opportunities. These come from many different sources, including the CDC's Overdose Data to Action Technical Assistance Program; the U.S. Department of Justice's Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program; the National Association of County and City Health Officials; and other regional and national partners. These technical assistance emails included updates on novel programs implemented by the state, information about upcoming conferences and training events, current state and national overdose data, funding opportunities and more.

#### **Training Opportunities**

OHA funded and encouraged overdose prevention coordinators to attend conferences, webinars, and other learning opportunities.

#### **Conferences:**

- Oregon Conference on Opioids + Other Drugs, Pain + Addiction Treatment (OPAT)
- <u>The Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission (ADPC) Prevention Conference</u>
- National Overdose Prevention Leadership Summit
- "The Unmet Crisis: Substance Use Disorders in Older Adults", hosted by the Mid-Willamette region

#### Webinars:

The following webinars were hosted by CDC, the <u>PRONTO Post Overdose project</u>, OHA, the Rescue Agency, National Alliance of State & Territorial AIDS Directors (NASTAD), SAMHSA, Northwest Center for Public Health Practice, CareOregon, and Public Health Institute University of Rochester:

- Developing Partnerships for EMS-Based Harm Reduction Programs
- Developing Partnerships for EMS Data Sharing in Overdose Response
- Measuring and Reducing Addiction Stigma
- Addressing Community Readiness for Implementing Harm Reduction Vending Machines
- Strategies for Building Partnerships to Support Harm Reduction Activities
- Post Overdose Outreach Presentation & Discussion

- Alcohol Awareness Month
- Fentanyl Communications
- Beyond the Alerts Practical Guidance for Responding to Xylazine
- National Overdose Prevention Network
- Harm Reduction Strategies for People Who Use Fentanyl
- Suicide and Opioids Intersections and Opportunities for Prevention
- Community Engagement for Prevention
- Moving Beyond Fentanyl: Facts, Fiction, and Furthering Engagement
- Harm Reduction and Treatment Strategies for People Who Use Fentanyl
- A Community Conversation on Opioid Use Disorder
- North Carolina's Together for Resilient Youth
- Disparities in Overdose Deaths Opportunities for Action
- Fentanyl What to Know What to Do What's Coming
- National Center for Fatality Review & Prevention
- Enhancing Collaboration Between CDR and Overdose Fatality Review Teams

#### **Funding Opportunities**

OHA shared the following funding opportunities:

- Overdose Response Strategy (ORS) Pilot Projects
- <u>Harm Reduction and Academic Detailing</u>
- <u>Combating Overdose Through Community-level Intervention Initiative (COCLI)</u>
- <u>Reducing Overdose through Community Approaches (ROCA) Mentorship Program</u>
- <u>NACCHO</u> Funding Opportunity for LPHAs

#### **Resources Provided**

OHA shared the following regional and national resources that have been related to substance use disorder, overdose prevention, and harm reduction:

- Fentanyl & Opioid Response Toolkit for Schools
- Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)
- <u>OHA Overdose Prevention Dashboard</u>
- <u>SUDORS Dashboard 2021 Data</u>
- Curated Library about Opioid Use for Decision-Makers (CLOUD)
- Opioid Overdose Data Report
- Xylazine Emerging Threat Designation
- Overdose-Related Services & Projects Summary by Oregon County

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## REGIONAL SUCCESSES HIGHLIGHTS 2022-2023

The following section summarizes accomplishments and successes based on data collected from the Quarterly Online form. These summaries encompass achievements in naloxone distribution, overdose emergency response planning, local prevention projects, and successes in implementing overdose prevention programs through collaboration.

## **CENTRAL OREGON**

#### Crook, Jefferson and Deschutes Counties

#### September 2022 to August 2023

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP SUCCESSES

- Held **11** meetings with the multisector stakeholder group
- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - Law enforcement agencies
  - Local SUD treatment agencies
  - Local harm reduction agencies/organizations
  - Clinics and hospitals
  - Behavioral health agencies
  - Recovery community organizations

Received feedback, and suggestions on the PE62/70 work plan for FY24 that the Coalition would like to be involved in."

#### OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING SUCCESSES

Did not activate

"We are still working on updating the overdose emergency response plan in our region. We have been working on rebuilding and building relationships with stakeholders since COVID. Since we have been able to work with our ME office on creating a process for timely data once we have that complete, we will continue to work on updating the response plan."

#### REGION HIGHLIGHT

Central Oregon has worked on strengthening their partnerships and working with schools' administration. They are also working closely with PE62/70 work plan for Fiscal Year 2024 Coalition.



#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES

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| $\checkmark$ | Convened | monthly | naloxone-focuse | d meetings |

- Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone
   Pharmacies
  - Harm reduction agencies
  - Outpatient behavioral health treatment providers, houseless outreach organizations
- Conducted **59** in-person naloxone trainings
  - ✓ 260 people trained and 128 doses of naloxone distributed
- Support activity highlights:
  - ✓ Supplying naloxone
  - Providing education & training to organizations to encourage naloxone distribution, dispensing, or prescribing
  - Conducting outreach to track and determine naloxone supply

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

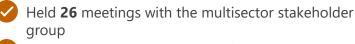
- Partner with Public Safely and First Responders
- Expand local infrastructure for school-based prevention programs
- Convened 34 key partner discussions
- Engaged with 29 key agencies in planning efforts
- ✓ Held 7 training events and trained 28 people
- Completed 28 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention

"We have engaged with more administration staff at schools this quarter and were able to provide training, naloxone, inform about Save Lives Oregon, and ongoing technical assistance."

### CLACKAMAS COUNTY

### September 2022 to August 2023

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP SUCCESSES



- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - Law enforcement agencies
  - Fire departments
  - Courts/jails/community corrections
  - Local harm reduction agencies/organizations
  - Clinics and hospitals
  - Recovery community organizations

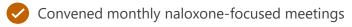
"Sharing of timely data and information about overdose and drug trends across agencies; sharing of new and expanded services; coordination of care; planning with partners on overdose response \_\_\_\_\_activities."

#### OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING SUCCESSES

Did activate

We were able to effectively communicate with key stakeholders and share information when we experienced an overdose spike in August (using our OD plan criteria)."

#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES



- Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone
   Pharmacies
  - Harm reduction agencies
  - Outpatient behavioral health treatment providers, houseless outreach organizations
  - Conducted **7** virtual and in-person naloxone trainings
    - 110 people trained and 164 doses of naloxone distributed
  - Support activity highlights:
    - ✓ Supplying naloxone
    - Connecting organizations with available resources and funding (e.g., SLO Clearinghouse)
    - Providing information about local overdose prevention data and statistics

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

- Establish Linkages to Care
  - Expand Local Infrastructure for Outreach in Underserved and Diverse Populations
- Convened 27 key partner discussions
- Engaged with 51 key agencies in planning efforts
- Held 5 training events with 145 people trained
- Completed 8 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention



"We are working with our Clackamas County Sheriff's Office to bring on another Peer Recovery Mentor who will provide additional support to justice-involved individuals."

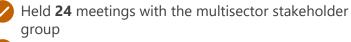
#### REGION HIGHLIGHT

Clackamas County has launched an EMS Buprenorphine pilot project which will include a warm hand-off (linkage to care) to Project Hope Peer Mentors and Case Management.

### DOUGLAS AND COOS COUNTIES

#### September 2022 to August 2023

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP SUCCESSES



- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - ✓ Local SUD treatment agencies
  - Clinics and hospitals
  - Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

"We are continuing to work in Sub-groups to get tasks completed. These include an International Overdose Awareness Day event, campaign group, and more."

#### OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING SUCCESSES



Did not activate

#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES



Convened monthly naloxone-focused meetings

- Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone ✓ Pharmacies
- ✓ Harm reduction agencies
- Outpatient behavioral health treatment providers, houseless outreach organizations
- Conducted in-person naloxone trainings with 102 people trained and 102 doses of naloxone distributed



- Conducting outreach to track and determine naloxone supply
- Connecting organizations with available resources and funding (e.g., SLO Clearinghouse)
- Disseminating naloxone educational and promotional advertising material



"More agencies are signing up for the [SLO] clearinghouse."

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

- Partner with Public Safely and First Responders
- Empower Individuals to Make Safer Choices
- Expand Local Infrastructure for Prevention Messaging
- ✓ Convened 22 key partner discussions
- Engaged with **41 key agencies** in planning efforts
- Held 3 training events and trained 85 people
- Completed **20 dissemination activities** to raise awareness of overdose prevention

"We had a very robust marketing plan for the

Engaged 3,464 people over social media

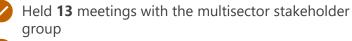
#### REGION HIGHLIGHT

Through the donation of their marketing services, Douglas and Coos were able to deliver over 400,000 advertisements through audio/visual and social media channels.

### KLAMATH AND LAKE COUNTIES

#### September 2022 to August 2023

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP SUCCESSES



- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - Courts/jails/community corrections
  - Local SUD treatment agencies
  - Local harm reduction agencies/organizations
  - Clinics and hospitals

Got people talking about the need for anonymous needle drop boxes. Started another conversation with the school district."

#### OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING SUCCESSES

Did not activate

#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES

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Convened monthly naloxone-focused meetings

Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone
 ✓ Save Lives Oregon Harm Reduction Clearinghouse

- Conducted 61 in-person naloxone trainings
  - 652 people trained and 287 doses of naloxone distributed
- Support activity highlights:
  - Supplying naloxone
  - Providing education & training to organizations to encourage naloxone distribution, dispensing, or prescribing
  - Conducting outreach to track and determine naloxone supply



"Since Distributing Naloxone, we have had numerous people come into the drop-in center and tell me that it saved someone's life. It is helping to reduce stigma around harm reduction and helping us start that conversation."

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

|   | Establish Linkages to Care  |
|---|---|
|   | Empower Individuals to Make Safer Choices<br>Expand Local Infrastructure for School-<br>Based Prevention Programs |
|   | Expand Local Infrastructure for Prevention<br>Messaging   |
| <ul> <li>Convened 28 key partner discussions</li> </ul> |   |
|   | Encoded with <b>77</b> how a non-size in planning   |

- Engaged with 77 key agencies in planning efforts
- Held 40 training events and trained 1,306 people
- Completed 28 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention

Engaged 5,228 people over social media

"Lake county new drop-in center has opened. We have seen over 300 people in the last couple of months. The word is getting out and more and more individuals are coming to get help."

#### 🖈 REGION HIGHLIGHT

Klamath and Lake Counties have observed that through naloxone distribution, it initiates conversations and contributes to reducing stigma around harm reduction.

## LANE COUNTY

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP **SUCCESSES**



- Held 29 meetings with the multisector stakeholder group
- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - ✓ Courts/jails/community corrections
  - ✓ Local SUD treatment agencies
  - Local harm reduction agencies/organizations
  - Clinics and hospitals

"We continue to successfully co-facilitate monthly teams, and monthly EMS workgroups."

#### **OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE** PLANNING SUCCESSES

Did activate

"We continue to use the plan as needed,

#### **REGION HIGHLIGHT**

Lane County continues to identify communities in need of Narcan and strategize distribution of county supplies and/or coordinate efforts for resources. Supplying Narcan upon request from various organizations.

They also continue their campaign strategy and promoted via social media, web and community partnerships, including media follows and shares from several school districts and community organizations.

#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES



- Convened monthly naloxone-focused meetings
- Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone Pharmaceutical company directly
  - ✓ Direct from distributor with County funds
- Conducted **31** in-person naloxone trainings
  - ✓ **608** people trained and **196** doses of naloxone distributed
- Support activity highlights:
  - Disseminating naloxone educational and promotional advertising material
  - Providing information about local overdose prevention data and statistics

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

- Partner with Public Safely and First **Responders** 
  - **Empower Individuals to Make Safer Choices**
  - Expand Local Infrastructure for School-**Based Prevention Programs**
- Expand Local Infrastructure for Prevention Messaging
- Convened 43 key partner discussions
- Engaged with 32 key agencies in planning efforts
- Held 33 training events and trained 487 people
- Completed 12 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention
- Engaged 1,675 people over social media

"Ongoing growth of relationships with schools to and classroom content to students."

### LINN, LINCOLN, & BENTON COUNTIES

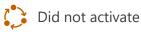
#### September 2022 to August 2023

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP SUCCESSES

- Held **13** meetings with the multisector stakeholder group
- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - Law enforcement agencies
  - ✓ Local SUD treatment agencies
  - Local harm reduction agencies/organizations

"We completed a Doodle Poll to schedule regular community stakeholder meetings on a monthly basis. This will allow our partners to meet normally and discuss what work is already being done in relation to OD response.."

#### OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING SUCCESSES



"Although our region did not have a defined 'spike' in overdoses this quarter, we did experience several increases in both fatal & non-fatal overdoses. We met as a group to talk about next steps and to try and expand on existing services for Narcan

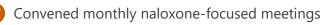
distribution and syringe services."

#### REGION HIGHLIGHT

Linn, Lincoln and Benton counties regional Harm Reduction Workers have done incredible work in ensuring naloxone access for PWUD in our region and the importance and value of their work cannot be understated.



#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES



- > Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone
  - ✓ Save Lives Oregon Harm Reduction Clearinghouse
  - Pharmaceutical company directly
  - Direct Relief and Emergent
- Conducted **22** in-person naloxone trainings
  - 245 people trained and 264 doses of naloxone distributed
- Support activity highlights:
  - ✓ Supplying naloxone
  - Providing education & training to organizations to encourage naloxone distribution, dispensing, or prescribing

"There a continual expansion of agencies signing up for the SLO Clearinghouse which has been extremely beneficial in expanding naloxone access and distribution in our region"

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

- 😢 🛛 Establish Linkages to Care
- Convened 14 key partner discussions
- Engaged with 51 key agencies in planning efforts
- Held 6 training events and trained 65 people
- Completed 26 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention

"As a region, we continued to meet through the Regional BHRN meetings and the CCCWN MH/SUD subcommittee meetings."

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## MID-WILLAMETTE

Yamhill, Polk, and Marion Counties

September 2022 to August 2023



#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP SUCCESSES

- Held **30** meetings with the multisector stakeholder group
- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - Law enforcement agencies
  - Local SUD treatment agencies
  - Local harm reduction agencies/organizations
  - Clinics and hospitals
  - ✓ Tribal partners

#### OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING SUCCESSES

🔰 Did not activate

Polk county PHEP introduced me to Independence Fire and Emergency Services."

#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES

Convened monthly naloxone-focused meetings

#### Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone

- Save Lives Oregon Harm Reduction Clearinghouse
- Pharmaceutical company directly
- Emergent
- Cardinal Health
- Conducted 24 in-person naloxone trainings
  - 282 people trained and 741 doses of naloxone distributed
- Support activity highlights:
  - Supplying naloxone
  - Providing education & training to organizations to encourage naloxone distribution, dispensing, or prescribing

"... I was notified by a peer today that Narcan kits that we provided recently saved the life of a young community member who had overdosed on Fentanyl. This young person was very nearly a statistic.."

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

- - Support Providers and Health Systems

Expand local infrastructure for school-based prevention programs

- Convened 44 key partner discussions
- Engaged with **129 key agencies** in planning efforts
- Held 64 training events and trained 472 people
- Completed 33 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention



#### REGION HIGHLIGHT

Yamhill, Polk, and Marion Counties all distributed naloxone and conducted naloxone trainings. Friends Fight Fentanyl is being distributed in all three counties.

They also provided the ESD with naloxone for schools.

### **MULTNOMAH** COUNTY

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP **SUCCESSES**



- Held 83 meetings with the multisector stakeholder group
- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - Law enforcement agencies
  - ✓ Fire departments
  - Courts/jails/community corrections
  - Clinics and hospitals
  - Behavioral health agencies
  - Recovery community organizations

"We were able to increase engagement from our core partners and establish new partnerships with multiple communications to align messaging and media

#### **OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING SUCCESSES**

Did not activate

"We are nearing completion of a public-facing community. Additionally, we are working to clarify overdose status to a yellow or red alert."

#### **REGION HIGHLIGHT**

Multnomah county made significant progress in improving our surveillance data through testing different case definitions, exploring additional data sources, and developing a new internal dashboard to monitor data.



#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES



Convened monthly naloxone-focused meetings

- Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone ✓ SAMHSA funded through Harm Reduction Program
  - ✓ CareOregon
- Conducted 3 virtual naloxone trainings and 107 people trained

promoting the Never Use Alone service to prevent overdose fatalities. We also created and posted a video to social to increase

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

- Partner with Public Safely and First Responders
- **Empower Individuals to Make Safer Choices**
- Expand local Infrastructure for Prevention Messaging
- Convened 28 key partner discussions
- Engaged with 24 key agencies in planning efforts
- Completed 23 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention
- Engaged 109 people over social media

"We have developed protocols for the EMS this fall."

### **NORTH COAST**

## Clatsop, Tillamook, and Columbia Counties

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP SUCCESSES

- Held 28 meetings with the multisector stakeholder group
- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - Clinics and hospitals
  - ✓ Behavioral health agencies
  - School / youth-service organizations

report. Hosted annual Overdose Awareness Event."

#### **OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE** PLANNING SUCCESSES

Did not activate

"Columbia County partners are excited about the and positive response."

#### **REGION HIGHLIGHT**

North Coast has been able to expand harm reduction services throughout the region. There is more general awareness to overdose awareness and education and access to supplies. While on a road trip on Hwy 101, people who use drugs were able to locate the Tillamook exchange through Google and access resources.



#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES



Convened monthly naloxone-focused meetings

- Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone
  - Save Lives Oregon Harm Reduction Clearinghouse
  - Pharmaceutical company directly
  - ✓ Direct Relief, and Emergent
- Conducted 22 in-person naloxone trainings
  - ✓ 732 people trained and 941 doses of naloxone distributed
- Support activity highlights:
  - Connecting organizations with available resources and funding (e.g., SLO Clearinghouse)
  - Disseminating naloxone educational and promotional advertising material
  - Providing information about local overdose prevention data and statistics

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

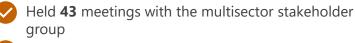
- Establish Linkages to Care
- Convened 13 key partner discussions
- Engaged with 33 key agencies in planning efforts
- Held 10 training events and trained 180 people
- Completed 2 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention
- Engaged 613 people over social media



### UMATILLA AND UNION COUNTIES

September 2022 to August 2023

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP SUCCESSES



- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - Clinics and hospitals
  - Behavioral health agencies
  - Schools / youth-service organizations

"One of the biggest successes is having our multiagency coalition participate in Pendleton's Round-Up Parade. It was a great opportunity to showcase our community's harm reduction and peer support programs working together."

#### OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING SUCCESSES

Did not activate

"UCo Health was able to host its first Overdose Spike Response Team meeting. While only one agency showed up for the meeting, it seemed like they were very interested in providing anecdotal data. This will be very helpful when determining if an overdose spike is occurring in Umatilla and Union counties."

#### 🗙 REGION HIGHLIGHT

In Umatilla county, the Pendleton Police Department has begun to provide reports when Narcan/naloxone is used on a call. This information will help us to track overdoses and better target overdose prevention activities such as naloxone distribution and connections to local resources.



#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES

- Convened monthly naloxone-focused meetings
- Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone
   Pharmacies
  - Harm reduction agencies
  - Outpatient behavioral health treatment providers, houseless outreach organizations
- Conducted 13 in-person naloxone trainings
  - 455 people trained and 75 doses of naloxone distributed
- Support activity highlights:
  - Providing education/training to organization staff to encourage naloxone distribution, dispensing, or prescribing
  - Connecting organizations with available resources and funding (e.g., SLO Clearinghouse)

"We continue to find success in creating space for community members to come and be educated on overdoses and Narcan use with them leaving with actual Narcan so they don't have to spend the money out of their own pockets."

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

Partner with Public Safely and First Responders

- Convened 8 key partner discussions
- Completed 3 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention

"Pendleton Police Department is providing us with reports of when naloxone is used on a call. Pendleton Fire Department is dependable and has established a routine of sending overdose call reports weekly to the Public Health Department."

### **NORTH CENTRAL**

**Wasco and Sherman Counties** 

#### MULTISECTOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP SUCCESSES

- Held **10** meetings with the multisector stakeholder group
- Engaged continuously with the following multisector stakeholder groups:
  - Emergency departments
  - Behavioral health agencies
  - Recovery community organizations

"Assisted in development of a youth and parent focused fentanyl awareness campaign."

#### **OVERDOSE EMERGENCY RESPONSE** PLANNING SUCCESSES

Did activate

"We were able to link to our contacts and determine whether the small spike in non-fatal as well as a social media post informing the public of current conditions and concerns."

### **REGION HIGHLIGHT**

North Central is working on a region-wide Narcan distribution plan and has created an Opioid Settlement Sub-Committee. They participated in an Overdose Awareness Walk and further defined their Overdose Emergency Response Plan.



#### NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION SUCCESSES

Convened monthly naloxone-focused meetings

- Worked with several agencies to distribute naloxone Save Lives Oregon Harm Reduction Clearinghouse
- Conducted 5 virtual naloxone trainings
  - ✓ 100 people trained and 128 doses of naloxone distributed
- Support activity highlights:
  - Supplying naloxone
  - Disseminating naloxone educational and promotional advertising material

Walk. Also, were able to train our Tribal One of our task force members was making Narcan more accessible."

#### LOCAL PREVENTION PROJECT

- **Establish Linkages to Care**
- Convened 14 key partner discussions
- Engaged with 58 key agencies in planning efforts
- Held 4 training events and trained 114 people
- Completed 12 dissemination activities to raise awareness of overdose prevention

"During this guarter we have distributed 344 of our

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