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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
Community Overdose Engagement (CODE): Phase 3

Investing in Community through Rhode Island’s Health Equity Zones
Community Overdose Engagement (CODE): Phase 3

Rhode Island Health Equity Zones in Drug Overdose Hot Spots:

• Cranston

• Pawtucket

• Providence (Central)

• Providence (West Elmwood)

• Woonsocket

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PreventOverdoseRI.org, Rhode Island’s Drug Overdose Dashboard: 2019 Visual and Content Refresh

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Our First Version of Prevent Overdose RI (PORI)

We all have a role to play in ending Rhode Island's overdose crisis.

What's yours?

Governor Gina Raimondo's Overdose Prevention Action Plan is designed to help end the overdose crisis in Rhode Island.

We have one goal: to save lives.

Here's how we plan to do it:
The Updated PORI

This is our home for ending the overdose crisis

On this website, you will find our latest data and helpful resources on overdose. You can learn where to get naloxone, how to get into treatment and find events near you.

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GET HELP
Call to connect with a licensed counselor, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Hablamos español.
(401) 414-LINK (5465)
What has changed?

★ More people-oriented and Rhode Island-focused

★ Easier to find the most relevant information

★ Simplified menu structure

★ New videos, images, and visuals

★ Highlighting the updated Strategic Plan and our past successes
This is the biggest public health crisis our state has ever seen. Rhode Island is a national leader in responding to the overdose crisis, but we aren’t done yet. Now, we’re taking it further with an updated plan. This plan builds on our past success and will help us continue to save lives.

“We have one goal: to save lives.”

Here’s how our state is saving lives and ending the overdose crisis

**Prevention**
We can stop the harm of drug use by supporting people as early as possible.

**FACT:** We’re helping people keep their opioid prescriptions safe and promoting alternatives to opioid pain medications.

**Rescue**
Everyone can learn how to use Naloxone and carry it with them to help stop an opioid overdose.

**FACT:** We have community trainings every month for anyone who wants to learn how to use Naloxone.

**Treatment**
Anyone who is ready for treatment can get help when they are ready.

**FACT:** RI Link is a 24-hour crisis center and support line where anyone can get help.

**Recovery**
We know that recovery from addiction is possible for everyone

**FACT:** We have more recovery support services than ever in our state.

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The PORI homepage is a space that can showcase:

★ Emerging issues or trends
★ Current campaigns
★ New videos or media
Abbie has a critical role in preventing overdoses.

Watch Abbie’s Story: https://youtu.be/zzVmCGGwSeQ
Additional Languages

★ Core pages, infographics, and PDFs will be translated to Spanish and Portuguese.

★ Entire PORI site will be translatable to over 80 languages through Google Translate.
New Graphical Elements Created by NAIL Communications

174
Newly trained peer recovery specialists in 2018

NON-OPIOID
Alternatives to opioid pain medication include tylenol, ibuprofen, exercise, physical therapy and cognitive behavioral therapy.

$75M
in federal funding to fight the overdose crisis

DANGER
Street opioids like heroin are more dangerous than prescription drugs because they can vary in strength, and can include other harmful chemicals and drugs mixed into them.
Recent Social Media Campaigns

![Graph showing total number of users and pageviews, by month. The graph displays a significant increase in 2019, with peaks at 7,836 and 3,885.](image-url)
We have updated our Action Plan page to **highlight** our successes.

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Now, we’re taking it further with an updated plan. This plan builds on our past success and will help us continue to save lives. Here’s how our state is saving lives and ending the overdose crisis:
The format of data pages are mostly unchanged.

Updated metrics for each pillar.

Back-end enhancements to improve timeliness and consistency of data.

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To save lives, we need to educate everyone about the dangers of overdose and end the stigma of addiction.

We all have a role to play in ending Rhode Island’s overdose crisis. What’s yours?

**Our main goal**  
Reduce the number of overdose deaths

**Number of overdose deaths (2009 – November 2019)**

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Note: Data updated weekly
Note: Most overdose deaths are confirmed within 3 months; however, sometimes toxicology test results take longer to confirm.

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Data up to date as of 11/8/19
Rollout Timeline

★ The new redesign will go live in **mid-December**.

- Almost a year in the making!

- All content, language, and visuals have gone through an extensive feedback and vetting process.

- We will continue to receive feedback from key Task Force members and partners.
We all have a role to play, what’s yours?

★ Follow us on social media:
  ○ Twitter: @PreventOD_RI

★ This is your page... use it, promote it, share it!
Thank you!

- PreventOverdoseRI.org is a project funded by the CDC, through a contract with the Rhode Island Department of Health.
- This website is managed by Brown University.
- The updated website was designed by NAIL Communications.
- The new videos were created by Steer PVD.
Expanding Employment and Housing Opportunities for Individuals in Recovery
“Recovery Through Opportunity” Grant

November 13, 2019

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Overview

- Incorporating the state’s workforce development program, **Real Jobs Rhode Island** and its 44 sector partnerships.
- Leveraging public health expertise through partnerships with the **Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH)** and **Rhode Island Department of Behavioral Health, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals (BHDDH)**.
- Integrating **Institutes of Higher Education and Apprenticeship RI** to leverage and adopt innovative means to ensure Rhode Island has a robust number of health workers trained in various occupations to address the opioid crisis.
**Goals**

Address the need for healthcare professionals to respond to the opioid crisis.

Provide addiction/opioid education and services for workers/workforce.

Provide career and training services for crisis-impacted residents to enter or re-enter the workforce.
Goal 1: Address the Need for Healthcare Professionals to Respond to the Opioid Crisis.

- Provide Peer Recovery Specialists (PRS) with a Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Training and provide a Train-the-Trainer program.

- Expand the Registered Apprenticeship (RA) model for Community Health Workers (CHWs).
Goal 2: Provide Addiction/Opioid Education and Services for Workers/Workforce.

Educate the construction workforce on opioid/substance use, including prevention, treatment, and recovery resources.
Goal 3:
Provide Career and Training Services for Crisis-Impacted Residents to Enter or Re-enter the Workforce.
TAKE AWAY

- COLLABORATE WITH “REAL JOBS” AND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND TRAINING

- LET US KNOW WHAT YOU’RE DOING

- OPPORTUNITIES WHERE WE CAN WORK TOGETHER!
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We all make mistakes, have struggles, and even regret things in our past. But you are not your mistakes, you are not your struggles, and you are here NOW with the power to shape your day and your future.

Steve Maraboli
Recovery House Progress

483 Certified Recovery Houses at National Association of Recovery Residences (NARR) Level II

1,235 unique individuals

120 people on the active waiting list

254 calls screened weekly with 401-942-STOP

New employment and housing support for sustainability
## New Shared Payment Tiered System

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Drug Overdose Prevention Mini-Grants: 2019 Projects in Review

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Governor’s Overdose Prevention and Intervention Task Force
Drug Overdose Prevention Mini-Grant Requirements

- Status as a non-profit, community-based organization.

- Experience providing services and support to high-risk populations.


- Completion of proposed mini-grant project within three months of approval or Purchase Order receipt.
Mini-Grant Focus: Prevention
Mini-Grant Focus: Harm Reduction

Crossroads
RHODE ISLAND
Helping those in need for 125 YEARS

Town of Warren
Rhode Island
INCORPORATED 1747

AIDS Care Ocean State
Mini-Grant Focus: Treatment

Blackstone Valley Prevention Coalition
"It Starts with You"

Lifespan

amos HOUSE
Mini-Grant Highlights: Prevention

• The home visiting model was successful in improving refugees’ knowledge of safe medication storage.

• The in-person outreach to daycare centers was helpful for raising awareness of support resources for grandparents.

• Local businesses/employers requested improvements to educational materials and access to a centralized toolkit.
Mini-Grant Highlights: Harm Reduction

• Naloxone administration education to high-risk populations reduces overdose deaths and saves lives.

• Older Rhode Islanders felt moderate to high-confidence using a NaloxBox following naloxone administration and recognition training.

• Use of fentanyl test strip kits may help influence a person’s decision-making and drug-use behaviors.
Mini-Grant Highlights: Treatment

• The Safe Stations model is expanding across Rhode Island, providing linkage to treatment and support for people with Substance Use Disorder (SUD).

• An online toolkit is being developed to help treatment providers address their patients’ social determinants of health.

• Implementation of an evidence-based practice intervention, such as Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), is a feasible project within a short time frame.
Next Steps

• A new round of mini-grant funding will be announced in early 2020.

• Grantees will have greater flexibility with project design.

• Time-frame for project implementation will be extended beyond the three-month period.