Governor Daniel J. McKee’s Task Force on Overdose Prevention and Intervention

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More information: PreventOverdoseRI.org/Task-Force-Work-Groups

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# Task Force Work Groups and Meeting Schedules

Get involved with a work group and view all meeting schedules: [https://bit.ly/3rB6v0r](https://bit.ly/3rB6v0r)

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| Rescue:                         | Every Other Month            | March 10 | Join Zoom Meeting [https://us06web.zoom.us/j/92263356004?pwd=c1VVWHZsWnYyYWh4U1RhcZIOWRazaZz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/92263356004?pwd=c1VVWHZsWnYyYWh4U1RhcZIOWRazaZz09)  
Meeting ID: 922 6335 6004  
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Passcode: RWG |
| Harm Reduction:                 | Monthly                      | March 8  | Microsoft Teams [Click here to join the meeting](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meeting/1?div=0&tab=calendar&authMethod=token&isAutoEnd=true&context=https%3A%2F%2Fteams.microsoft.com%2F%3Fid%3D0%26context%3D%252Fteams%252F%253Fid%253D0)  
(audio only)  
Phone Conference ID: 351 888 385#  
US, Providence  
Dial In: +1 401-437-4452, 351888385#  
US (Toll-free) |
| Treatment:                      | Monthly                      | March 1  | Microsoft Teams [Click here to join the meeting](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meeting/1?div=0&tab=calendar&authMethod=token&isAutoEnd=true&context=https%3A%2F%2Fteams.microsoft.com%2F%3Fid%3D0%26context%3D%252Fteams%252F%253Fid%253D0) |
| Recovery:                       | Monthly                      | March 16 | Microsoft Teams [Click here to join the meeting](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meeting/1?div=0&tab=calendar&authMethod=token&isAutoEnd=true&context=https%3A%2F%2Fteams.microsoft.com%2F%3Fid%3D0%26context%3D%252Fteams%252F%253Fid%253D0) |
| First Responders:               | Every Other Month            | March 17 | Microsoft Teams [Click here to join the meeting](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meeting/1?div=0&tab=calendar&authMethod=token&isAutoEnd=true&context=https%3A%2F%2Fteams.microsoft.com%2F%3Fid%3D0%26context%3D%252Fteams%252F%253Fid%253D0) |
| Racial Equity:                  | Monthly                      | March 31 | Join Zoom Meeting [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82826231924](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82826231924)  
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| Substance-Exposed Newborns:      | Monthly                      | March 8  | Microsoft Teams [Click here to join the meeting](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meeting/1?div=0&tab=calendar&authMethod=token&isAutoEnd=true&context=https%3A%2F%2Fteams.microsoft.com%2F%3Fid%3D0%26context%3D%252Fteams%252F%253Fid%253D0)  
(audio only)  
Phone Conference ID: 189953277#  
United States, Providence  
Dial In: (833) 201-5833, 189953277#  
United States (Toll-free) |
| Family Task Force:              | Monthly                      | March 8  | Join Zoom Meeting [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8467337054](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8467337054) |

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Opioid Overdose Integrated Surveillance System

Governor’s Overdose Prevention and Intervention Task Force
February 9, 2022
What Is An Integrated Opioid Overdose Surveillance System?

- Combined Data Sources
  - Threshold Alerts (ROAAR)
  - Trends and Analyses
  - Care Continuum

- Improved Detection and Response to Outbreaks
RIDOH’s Opioid Overdose Data Sources
Non-Fatal Opioid Overdose Pathways to ROAAR Alerts

Very High

Moderately High

Alert (ROAAR)

YES

YES

YES

NO

NO

NO

NO

QA Check Counts

No Alert

No Alert

Very High

Very High

Very High

Very High

Very High

Very High

Very High

Very High
January 28, 2022

**Rhode Island Overdose Action Area Response (ROAAR)**

**Region 5: Pawtucket, East Providence, and Central Falls**

The Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH) and the Rhode Island Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities, and Hospitals (BHDDH) issue this ROAAR Alert due to increased opioid overdose activity in Region 5.

For a three-day period, from January 25, 2022 to January 27, 2022, RIDOH received 10 reports for opioid overdose-related emergency department visits in Region 5. The weekly overdose threshold for Region 5 is nine reports within a seven-day period.

The city of Pawtucket was most impacted with nine reports.
Rhode Island Overdose Action Area Response (ROAAR)

Twitter: @RIHealth

Facebook and Instagram: Rhode Island Department of Health

Nextdoor: State of Rhode Island Drug Overdose Prevention and Response
Find Resources

Everyone has a role to play in helping end Rhode Island’s overdose epidemic.
Make sure you understand what you can do to help save lives.

Safer Drug Use
Places in Rhode Island where you can get resources about how to use drugs more safely.

Families & Teachers
Families and teachers have a role in preventing prescription drug use among teens. Find out more.

Provider Resources
All health care providers can make a big difference when it comes to addressing the overdose epidemic.
Nathaniel Fuchs, MPH; Epidemiologist
Drug Overdose Surveillance Program
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Rhode Island Department of Health
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RECOVERY WORK GROUP
The 8 Dimensions of Wellness
Pathways to Employment
Wellness

Environmental
Good health by occupying pleasant, stimulating environments that support well-being

Intellectual
Recognizing creative abilities and finding ways to expand knowledge and skills

Physical
Recognizing the need for physical activity, diet, sleep and nutrition

Emotional
Coping effectively with life and creating satisfying relationships

Financial
Satisfaction with current and future financial situations

Social
Developing a sense of connection, belonging, and a well-developed support system

Spiritual
Expanding our sense of purpose and meaning in life

Occupational
Personal satisfaction and enrichment derived from one's work

Amos House
Workforce Essentials

Jennifer Kodus
Director of Workforce Services
Amos House
Who We Are

• Rhode Island’s Largest Soup Kitchen
• Emergency Services
• Shelter, Recovery, and Family Housing
• Program Integrated PEER recovery
• Job Training and Employment Services
• Financial Opportunity Center
• Social Enterprise Businesses
Workforce Education

• Workforce Essentials (3 weeks)

• Job Training Pathways (5-8 weeks)
  • Culinary
  • Building Trades
  • Customer Service
  • CDL
  • Jewelry Mold Making

• Financial Opportunity Center (1-3 years)
Key Workforce Components

• Contextualized math and reading
• Computer skills
• Essential work-readiness skills
• Integrated wraparound supports
• Industry recognized credentials
• Internships and work-based learning
• Employer partnerships
Goals and Outcomes

• Living wage jobs
• Opportunities for career advancement
• Stackable credentials and higher education
• Increased stability and self-sufficiency
• Credit and asset building
• Access to mainstream financial products
• Permanent safe housing
• Strong recovery program (for those with substance use conditions)
Contact

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JKodis@amoshouse.com
Opioids in Rhode Island

Accidental Drug Overdose Deaths Occurring in Rhode Island by Month/Year

Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, Office of the State Medical Examiners (OSME)

*Note: OSME data for 2021 is pending finalization.
Timeline of Rhode Island’s Opioids Litigation

2018
- June 2018: RI files lawsuit against: McKesson; Cardinal Health; AmerisourceBergen; Purdue Pharma; Rhodes Pharmaceuticals, Richard Sackler and other entities

2019
- August 2019: RI Superior Court denies opioid manufacturer’s attempt to dismiss State’s lawsuit
- December 2019: RI adds additional Teva entities to opioid lawsuit
- November 2018: RI files lawsuit against Teva USA and Cephalon
- September 2019: RI files lawsuit against eight members of the Sackler family; Purdue Pharma files for bankruptcy

2020

2021
- August 2021: RI signs onto national settlement with Johnson & Johnson
- December 2021: Settlements announced with AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal Health, McKesson, and Johnson & Johnson

2022
- January 2022: Settlements announced with AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal Health, McKesson, and Johnson & Johnson
- March 2022: Trial set against generic drugmaker Teva entities

NOW

February 2022
- Rhode Island Opioids Litigation Update

Rhode Island Opioids Litigation Update
## Breakdown of Opioids Funds Recovered

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<td>Consulting firm that helped Purdue Pharma market opioids, including a plan to “turbocharge” OxyContin sales at height of epidemic.</td>
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<td>Rhode Island will receive $2.59 million over five years.</td>
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<td>$1 million used in 2021 to address critical and immediate need for naloxone.</td>
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Up to $21.1M Settlement with Johnson & Johnson

Johnson & Johnson manufactured, marketed, and sold opioids while deceptively downplaying the risks of addiction.

Rhode Island will receive up to $21.1 million over 10 years through global settlement.

Payment to begin July 2022.
Breakdown of Opioids Funds Recovered

$90.8 M

Settlement with AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal, and McKesson

Nation’s three major drug distributors directly contributed to the opioid epidemic through the over supply of opioids and by routinely filling and failing to report suspicious orders.

Rhode Island will receive at least $90.8 million over 18 years through agreement.
### Breakdown of Opioids Funds Recovered

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*Numbers are in millions*

*Total amounts are estimates*
All monies recovered MUST be used for **Opioids Abatement**
What is Opioids Abatement?

- **Treatment**: medication-assisted treatment, such as methadone or buprenorphine.

- **Overdose rescue**: purchasing and deploying drugs like naloxone can save lives.

- **Prevention**: monitoring and weighing access to opioids with the risk of diversion, addiction, and overdose.

- **Recovery**: can include clinical treatment, medications, peer support, family support, self-care, and other methods.
More than Money

Rhode Island’s settlements include important agreements to end bad behavior and create transparency.

- **McKinsey & Co.** will implement new ethics rules, stop advising companies on potentially dangerous scheduled drugs, and turn over thousands of internal documents for public portal.

- **Distributors** will create red flag systems for suspicious orders, report these orders to the Attorney General and Department of Health, report customers they have blocked, and implement monitoring and oversight.
## A Better Deal for Rhode Island

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<th>Global deal</th>
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Overview of Opioids Litigation

Rhode Island’s Lawsuit

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PROVIDENCE, SC.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, by and
through, PETER F. NERONHA,
ATTORNEY GENERAL,

Plaintiff

v.

PURDUE PHARMA L.P.; PURDUE PHARMA
INC.; THE PURDUE FREDERICK COMPANY,
INC.; RHODES PHARMACEUTICALS L.P.;
RHODES TECHNOLOGIES; RHODES
TECHNOLOGIES INC.; RICHARD S.
SACKLER; INSYS THERAPEUTICS, INC.;
JOHN N. KAPOOR; TEVA
PHARMACEUTICALS USA, INC.;
CEPHALON, INC.; MALLINCKRODT PLC;
MALLINCKRODT, LLC; SPECGX, LLC;
CARDINAL HEALTH, INC.; MCKESSION
CORPORATION d/b/a MCKESSION DRUG
COMPANY; and AMERISOURCEBERGEN
DRUG CORPORATION,

Defendants

SUPERIOR COURT

C.A. No. PC-2018-4555

Municipalities’ Lawsuit

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION
OPIATE LITIGATION

MDL No. 2804

Case No. 17-md-2804

Judge Dan Aaron Polster

OPINION AND ORDER

In this Multidistrict Litigation (“MDL”), public entities from across the nation have sued manufacturers, distributors and retailers of prescription opiate drugs, alleging they are liable for
Agreement Between State and 39 Municipalities

80% Will be overseen by EOHHS and allocated to abatement programs throughout RI. New Advisory Committee will make recommendations on spending.

20% Will go directly to all cities and towns to be used solely for opioid abatement.

100% OPIOIDS ABATEMENT
### New Advisory Committee

- **New Advisory Committee** will make recommendations to EOHHS
- A non-voting committee chair will be appointed by the Governor
- Will work closely with Governor’s Task Force on Overdose Prevention and Intervention

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What’s Next?

• First payments from the Distributors will be made in the coming weeks.

• New Advisory Committee will be formed and meet for the first time.

• EOHHS and the Advisory Committee will share their plan for engaging Rhode Island’s communities on priorities and needs for the use of these critical funds.

• Distributions are subject to the appropriations process, but we expect them to begin going out to where they are needed most by this summer.
Public Comment