

Governor Dan McKee's Overdose Task Force November 8, 2023

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Welcome and Announcements



Overdose Task Force Strategic Wheel

Prevention

Focus on proven strategies to address trauma and disparities across the lifespan, especially for older Rhode Islanders and people in recovery.

Treatment

Create low-barrier treatment for all substances to maximize access, drive more effective data sharing between the treatment community and clients, and innovate ways to promote and engage people in treatment and recovery support services.

Messaging

Craft linguistically and culturally-appropriate language by collaborating with community partners to ensure the most effective, real-time communications - recognizing the mistrust of state and medical messengers.

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Governance

Track what we do and create lines of accountability while strengthening the community's voice in the Task Force, especially the voices of people who use drugs.

Harm Reduction

Create and share innovative services for safer drug use practices while supporting community outreach services.

Recovery

Support recovery capital while developing a more diverse certified peer recovery support specialist workforce.

Data

Consolidate analysis across all reporting data sources and build a state profile that clearly tells us "what the data say" as we measure outcomes.



Community Conversation

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Today's Community Conversation

Small Group Discussions About Community Representation in the Governor's Task Force

Objective:

Through conversation, begin to re-evaluate where we are today and where we can strengthen community engagement in the Task Force.

Today's Community Conversation: What to Expect

- 1. Housekeeping and discussion agreements
- 2. Warm-up exercise within the large group
- 3. Break out into randomized, small groups
- 4. Discuss pre-determined questions within small groups for 35 minutes
- 5. A predetermined small group member will take detailed notes
- Return to the main room
- 7. Notetaker from each group will share main points (three minutes for each group)

Housekeeping and Discussion Agreements

- There is no perfect; there is no end point. *Our work is a process*.
- We can't be articulate all the time, so give the benefit of the doubt.
- Our *Intent* isn't the same as our *Impact*.
- It's ok to be uncomfortable! Growth *is* uncomfortable.
- Make space, Take space.
- Take breaks as you need.
- We will boldly try and every attempt will teach us more.
- We all have something to learn and we all have something to offer.
- Be curious and ask questions!



What else would help you engage?

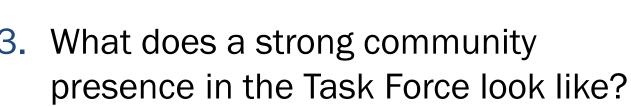
Warm-Up Exercise

Coming into the space together.



Questions for Breakout Sessions

- 1. What is your definition of community engagement in the Task Force?
- 2. How is **community input** demonstrated in the Task Force?
- 3. What does a strong community





Small Group Breakout Session (35 minutes)



Share Out (3 minutes per group)

Each group will have the opportunity to share main takeaways or themes from the breakout sessions.



Public Comment and Closing

