



# Drug Overdose Prevention Newscast

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## Updates

### Clark Memorial Health Naloxone Vending Machine Dispenses Over 1,200 Doses

Clark Memorial Health was the first Indiana hospital to receive a naloxone vending machine in partnership with Overdose Lifeline. In its first five months, the free naloxone vending machine outside the hospital's emergency department has distributed over 1,200 doses of naloxone. Doses have been provided to patients after an overdose, as well as their friends, family and the community.

"Our goal is that we have ready access around anyone who does have an overdose that could be reversed by it," said Clark County Health Officer Dr. Eric Yazel. According to Dr. Yazel, "many patients have a high risk ER visit shortly before their fatal overdoses," making naloxone a critical tool that can save lives.

Visit Overdose Lifeline's website to find a map of naloxone boxes and distribution centers throughout the state.

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### Indiana Annual Recovery Month Symposium Call for Proposals

The Indiana Recovery Month Symposium (INARMS) is one of the largest substance use-related events in the state. INARMS is hosted by Overdose Lifeline and will take place Sept. 26 and 27 as a hybrid conference with space for 400 in-person attendees at the Embassy Suites Plainfield.

The proposal deadline for INARMS has been extended to June 20. Proposals that reimagine practices and programs on topics such as recovery, re-entry following incarceration, substances of misuse, and prevention are welcome.

To register for the event or to submit a proposal, please visit the event website.

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### Indiana Overdose Deaths Reach Record High in 2021

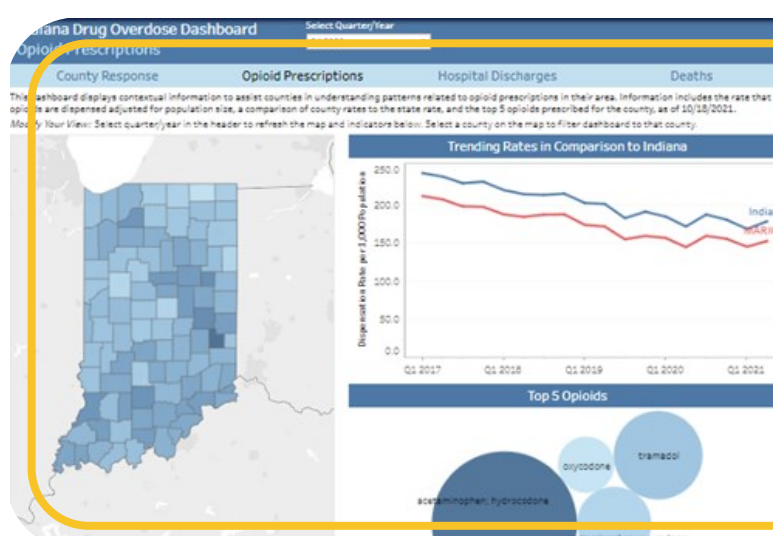
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has released [provisional data](#) on national overdose deaths in 2021. Indiana's counts of overdose deaths reached a record high for the second consecutive year. It is estimated that Indiana saw 2,755 drug overdose deaths in 2021. This is a 21 percent increase from 2020, which had a then-record of 2,272 fatal overdoses.

Helpful resources are available, including where to [access naloxone](#), how to find [treatment](#), and calling Indiana 211 (866-211-9966) for 24/7 assistance, including peer recovery coaches and trained counselors.

### Indiana's Drug Overdose Dashboard

Please visit the [Indiana Drug Overdose Dashboard](#), where you will find data from 2017 up to provisional data for 2021. In this dashboard, you will find data regarding opioid prescriptions, hospital discharges, and drug-related deaths. You can use this dashboard to explore overdose data at the county and state levels.

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## Upcoming Events

### Substance Use Among College Students and Youth: An Update (HHS Region 1)

1 p.m. EDT, Tuesday, June 14

This webinar will provide an overview of current data on substance use and misuse among college and university students, common risk factors for substance misuse, and discuss recommendations for prevention and policy to promote health and wellness in this population.

To learn more and register for this event, click [here](#).

### Racial Disparities in Substance Use Prevention

1 p.m. – 3 p.m. EDT, Wednesday, June 15

This training will explore the difference in how drug use, misuse, and penalty has fallen along racial lines and examine how efforts to engage and prevent substance misuse has been affected by implicit bias, partiality, and judgment. This training will present opportunities to learn strategies to address racial disparities while working with persons in care. From whom gets offered supportive treatment to how record keeping prevents or disrupts sobriety, this training will explore ethical responsibilities regarding equity and justice in the field of addiction management.

To learn more and register for this event, click [here](#).

### On-the-Spot: Virtual Recovery Services

1 p.m. – 2 p.m. EDT, Friday, June 17

Many experts predict that SUD treatment and recovery services will use a hybrid service delivery method (some services in-person and some online). Join the online consultation session every third Friday of the month to discuss/share virtual service delivery tips and practices for practitioners and peers focusing on telehealth and digital recovery support services. The facilitator, Maryellen Evers, is a person with lived experience and a provider of clinical services via telehealth. Guest speakers and national experts focused on digital recovery support may also present during the sessions.

To learn more and attend the event, click [here](#).

### Supporting Youth and Building Leadership in Prevention: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Part 2

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. EDT, Thursday, June 23

In this webinar, we will discuss the 3-pronged term, DEI, and how each of its principles can holistically enhance prevention efforts. We will also discuss how to operationalize these principles using the strategic prevention framework.

To learn more and register for this event, click [here](#).

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