



# Drug Overdose Prevention Newscast

June 7, 2022

## Updates

### Overdose Lifeline Awarded Funds to Support Schools with Opioid Overdose Response

Overdose Lifeline, an Indianapolis non-profit dedicated to helping individuals, families, and communities affected by substance use disorder, was awarded more than \$178,000 by the CareSource Foundation to provide schools with resources to address opioid overdoses.

With this funding award, Overdose Lifeline plans to provide naloxone to school partners, develop a training for school staff, and connect schools to evidence-based prevention programs. Over three years, Overdose Lifeline plans to increase the number of Indiana schools with opioid overdose emergency preparedness programs to nearly 300.



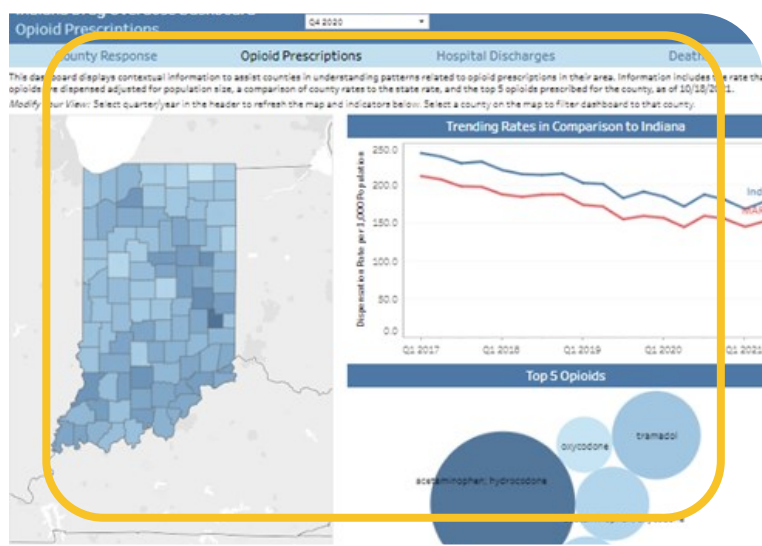
### Delaware County to Implement a Substance Abuse Disorder Recovery Program in County Jail

In partnership with Mental Health America Indiana and the Indiana Forensic Support Services, Delaware County will implement the Integrated Reentry and Correctional Support Program. The program will be supported by city and county governments, as well as the Delaware County Sheriff's Department.

The program seeks to hire locals in long-term recovery for substance use disorders to serve as peer recovery coaches for people in the jail. Navigators and social workers will also help people access community services and receive support after being released as well.

Officials are hopeful that the program will begin running during June or July.

### Indiana 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.

## Upcoming Events

### SHIELD: Protecting Those who Serve During the Overdose Crisis

9 a.m. – Noon EDT, Tuesday, June 7, In-person at the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy

Law enforcement officers are on the front lines of the overdose crisis. They are facing new occupational safety risks and are being asked to take on new roles and responsibilities – usually without adequate tools or training. These demands compound the stress officers accumulate from the day-to-day pressures of policing and today's unprecedented levels of public scrutiny.

The SHIELD Training Initiative fills this gap, providing law enforcement with the tools they need to safeguard their physical and mental wellbeing, improve community relations, and more effectively accomplish their public safety mission.

For more information and to register, please visit: <https://behaviorhealthjustice.wayne.edu/shield> or <https://acadisportal.in.gov/AcadisViewer/Login.aspx>

To view the promotional flyer, visit [here](#).

### Supervising Peer Specialists

1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. EDT, Tuesday June 7th

Many peer specialists are supervised by clinicians who do not identify as having the lived experience of recovery. In this 90-min webinar, Pat Deegan will describe best practices for supervisors of peer specialists and introduce tools to help peer specialists and supervisors remain on track in their work together. There will be time for discussion. The webinar will be of interest to supervisors and peer specialists, but all are welcome.

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

### The Ongoing Opioid Epidemic Part 1: The Current Landscape

1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. EDT, Tuesday, June 7

This webinar will provide a broad overview of opioid trends in the Central East region and nationwide, including what is known about the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. It will review changes in use and consequences, and ongoing shifts in substance preferences. As part of this, the webinar will discuss the increasing frequency of polysubstance use and its impact on prevention. Lastly, the webinar will review the latest research on the social determinants of health and other risk and protective factors.

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

### Strategic Alliance: Prevention Across the Continuum of Care

1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. EDT, Wednesday, June 8

Substance misuse prevention efforts educate and support individuals and communities to prevent the use and misuse of drugs, yet there remains a portion of our communities who use substances. Harm reduction includes strategies and ideas that aim to reduce the negative consequences related to substance misuse. Harm reduction can be considered as an approach to secondary prevention of risky behavior among youth with the intent to save lives, reduce consequences and build support.

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

### The Ongoing Opioid Epidemic Part 2: Lessons Learned and Looking Ahead

1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. EDT, Tuesday, June 14

This webinar will discuss evidence-based prevention interventions for opioids and review the lessons learned thus far from the epidemic. It will summarize use and overdose prevention best practices, including the role of harm reduction beyond naloxone distribution. The webinar will also discuss strategies for polysubstance use prevention and the need for further studies. Lastly, the webinar will overview the importance of collaboration and the ways key stakeholders can support opioid prevention efforts.

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

### Indiana Annual Recovery Month Symposium (INARMS)

8 a.m.— 5 p.m. EDT, Monday & Tuesday, Sept. 26-27

Embassy Suites, Plainfield

Save the date! INARMS will take place on Sept. 26 and 27 as a hybrid conference with space for 400 in-person attendees at the Embassy Suites Plainfield. Session speakers will focus on topics addressing recovery, criminal justice, prevention, substances of misuse, re-entry following incarceration, and children and families.

For more information about INARMS and to register for this event, click [here](#).

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