

## Harm Reduction during the COVID-19 Pandemic: Strategies from the Field

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## Webinar Agenda

- Welcoming Remarks from the CDC
- Novel Harm Reduction and Treatment Strategies to Support Individuals with Opioid Use Disorder- COVID-19
- Strategies from the Field:
  - Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium
  - The Perfectly Flawed Foundation
  - Oklahoma Harm Reduction Alliance
- Additional Resources
- Q&A

## Welcoming Remarks from the CDC



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## Division of Overdose Prevention: Support of Harm Reduction Work

Brian Corry, MA

## Introduction

**Brian Corry, MA**

- Public Health Analyst
- Division of Overdose Prevention (DOP) – Prevention Programs and Evaluation Branch – Applied Prevention Science Team
- Harm Reduction SME



## How DOP Supports Harm Reduction

- Overdose Data to Action
- Novel Harm Reduction and Treatment Strategies to Support Individuals with Opioid Use Disorder
- Strengthening Communities to Improve Linkage to Harm Reduction Services

## Overdose Data to Action OD2A

- Integrates previous funding into one announcement
- \$300M per year for 4 years
- Seamless integration of data and prevention programs
- 66 jurisdictions funded including 47 state, 16 hard hit cities and counties, DC, and 2 territories



Surveillance



PDMPs



Health System



Public Safety



Linkage to Care



Empower Consumers



Local Response



Novel Harm Reduction and Treatment Strategies to Support Individuals with Opioid Use Disorder



Strengthening Communities to Improve Linkage to Harm Reduction Services

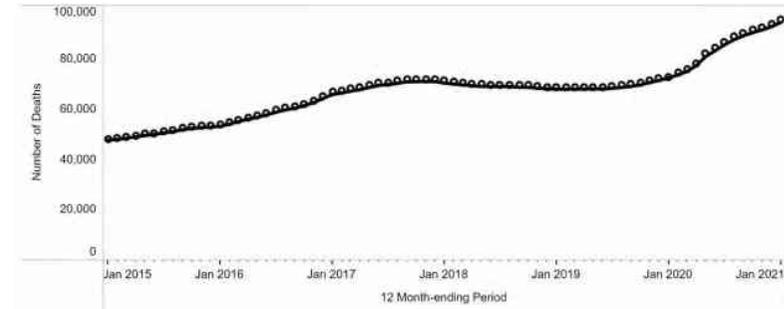
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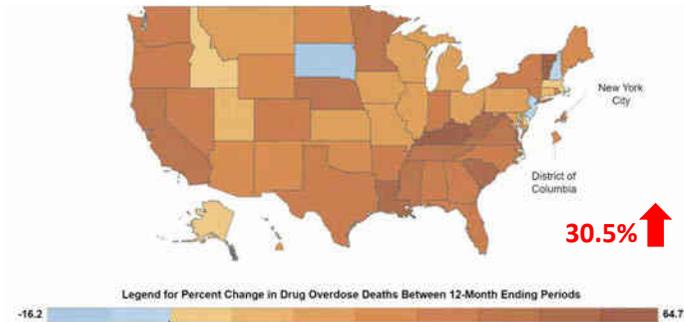
# Novel Harm Reduction and Treatment Strategies to Support Individuals with Opioid Use Disorder- COVID-19

## Drug Overdose Death

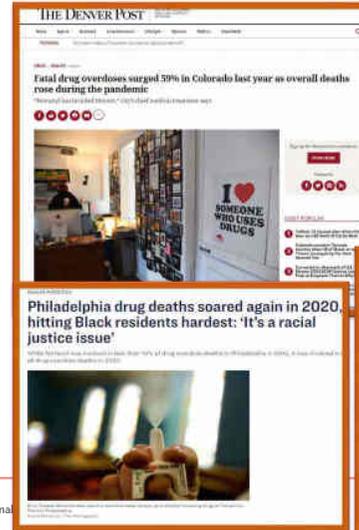


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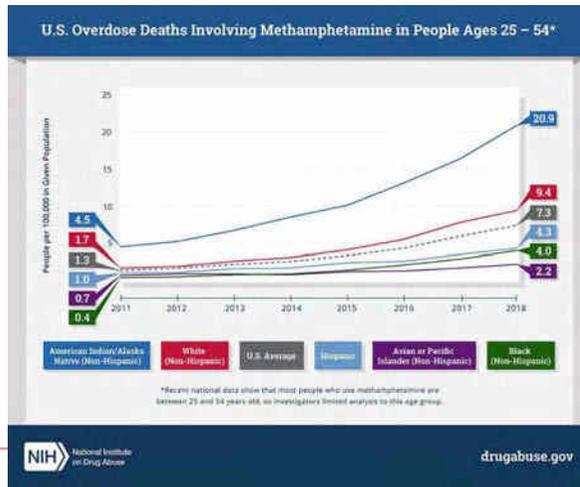
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“Not just  
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The Good News . . .

We know what works!

## Novel Harm Reduction and Treatment Strategies to Support Individuals with Opioid Use Disorder- COVID-19

### Project Goal:

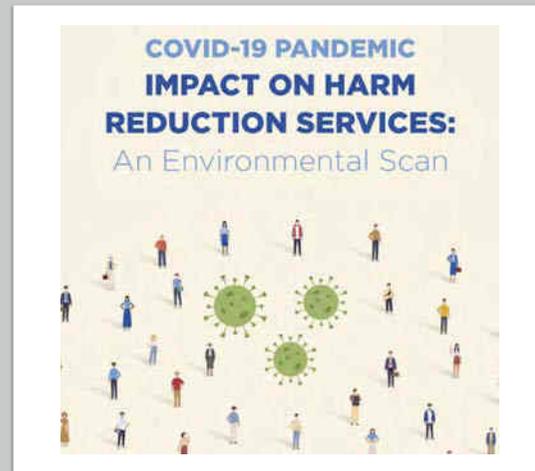
To understand the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on harm reduction services for people who use drugs and to support innovative and adaptive harm reduction practices during the pandemic.

## Project Activities

- ✓ Conduct an **environmental scan** to better understand the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on harm reduction organizations and participants.
- ✓ Provide **funding** to harm reduction organizations through a competitive grant process.
- ✓ Develop **technical assistance** tools to disseminate best and promising strategies and support peer-to-peer learning among grantees and harm reduction providers nationally.

## Environmental Scan

- Published online March 2021.
- Data sources:
  - Peer-reviewed, grey, and white literature through February 2021.
  - 21 key informant interviews with harm reduction providers in 19 states.



## Environmental Scan Key Informants



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## Environmental Scan Key Findings

1. Impacts of the pandemic on people who use drugs.
2. Impacts of the pandemic on harm reduction organizations.
3. Adaptations and innovations made by harm reduction organizations.

*Social isolation, using alone, being stuck in the house. Being scared. It's exacerbated any co-occurring mental health disorders people already have. So, it's just, all this is just fueling use and acute flareups of mental health conditions. This is, it's worse."*

*"My staff are really burned out. And I'm sure that's true across all harm reduction organizations. Because not only did we never shut down, we actually amped up and did more work in the past seven, eight months than I can ever remember. And so I'm really struggling with compassion fatigue and vicarious trauma amongst my staff."*

*"We actually exchanged more syringes during COVID-19 than we did beforehand."*

*"The naloxone program also doubled between February and April."*

*"We had a lot of folks that said, 'I was able to go to Walgreens and buy my own supplies and I can't do that anymore,' and [they] had never accessed syringe services from a harm reduction agency before."*

## Environmental Scan Key Findings

- ▶ **Operational changes:** Moving services like supply distribution, group meetings and testing outdoors or to a mobile vehicle; transitioning to mobile, mail and contactless deliveries; implementing COVID-19 protocols for staff and participants; and reducing staff and volunteer hours.
- ▶ **Technology-based adaptations:** Implementing telehealth assessments, inductions and prescriptions for buprenorphine; hosting virtual group meetings, recovery support and mutual aid meetings; and promoting virtual peer support services for PWUD.
- ▶ **Supply distribution:** Distributing supplies via mail, home or contactless delivery, prepackaging harm reduction supplies, increasing outreach in the community and quarantine hotels, changing organizational policies to increase the number of supplies distributed at a given time, providing personal protective equipment (PPE) and providing access to food and hygiene supplies.
- ▶ **Partnerships and collaborations:** Developing and enhancing cross-sector partnerships, including academia, advocates, health care providers, homeless services and mutual aid groups.
- ▶ **Resources and tools:** Developing educational materials and guidance documents for PWUD, sharing and updating in real-time resources and documents and hosting and attending webinars and peer-to-peer learning opportunities.

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## Harm Reduction Grantees

- Launched a competitive request for applications (RFA) process in October 2020.
- Convened a team of National Council, CDC, and external application reviewers.
- Established standardized review criteria.
- Received 233 applications from 45 states and the District of Columbia.
- Chose 16 organizations to fund after an incredibly painful review process (because there were so many great applications!).



## Preventing Overdose & Increasing Access to Harm Reduction Services during the COVID-19 Pandemic



## Impact of Grants



- Expanded naloxone distribution statewide and tripled naloxone distribution in Oklahoma.
- Upgraded online resources portal to include materials new education materials, materials in multiple languages, and culturally relevant materials through NEXT Distro.
- Built infrastructure for statewide mail supply distribution, weekly virtual training, and harm reduction drop-in hours in Maine.
- Established harm reduction by mail program and a Never Use Alone safe use hotline in Arizona.
- Created and distributed PPE kits to harm reduction participants and conducting street outreach with a nurse to increase vaccine access in Twin Cities.
- Capacity building.

## Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

### HIV/STD Prevention Program

### The Rural Alaska Harm Reduction Initiative

We acknowledge the Dena'ina people, on whose traditional lands we gather. We also acknowledge the diverse Indigenous people who we serve across Alaska. Thank you for your past and present spiritual practices and stewardship of the earth, waters, plants and animals of this place.

## Overview

- ANTHC overview
- Impact of COVID-19
- The Rural AK Harm Reduction Initiative
  - Activities
  - Outcomes
- Questions

**OUR VISION:**  
Alaska Native people are the  
healthiest people in the world.



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Promoting wellness through culturally responsive prevention services

## HIV/STD Prevention Program

- Mission: To be a trusted statewide resource for HIV/STI prevention and education, in partnership with the AK tribal health system.
- Primary program focus:
  - Tribal Organizations: Providers, educators, caring adults
  - Alaskans: Alaska Native youth and young adults

## COVID-19 and ANTHC

- Historical knowledge of disease impact(s) in our communities
- Early response
  - Changes for specialty medical care
  - Changes in ANTHC operations
- Involving Alaska Native communities



2020 ANTHC Annual Report: <https://anthc.org/covid-19-response/>  
 ANTHC COVID-19 Vaccine AN Language Materials: <https://anthc.org/covid-19-vaccine-materials-in-alaska-native-languages/>

## COVID-19 and HIV/STD Prevention



The iknowmine.org website: <https://www.iknowmine.org/>

## The Rural Alaska Harm Reduction Initiative

- Purpose: To enhance and/or adapt novel and innovative strategies to current practices to address the needs of people who use drugs, and prevention for opioid overdose.
- Goals
  - Harm Reduction education
    - Improve access to information
    - Increase community awareness
    - Engage providers and educators in training
  - Harm Reduction materials and resources accessibility

## The Rural Alaska Harm Reduction Initiative

- Activities completed
  - Developed virtual-based educational tools
  - Expanded the availability of mail-based harm reduction tools to Alaskan individuals
  - Integrated COVID-19 messaging within existing and new materials.
  - Worked with existing partners to establish an Alaska Harm Reduction Network



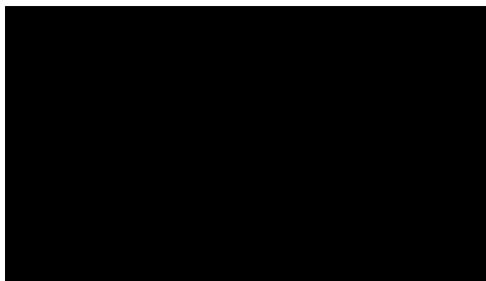
## Social Media: A Tool for Effective Outreach



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## Public Service Announcement



30-second Harm Reduction PSA: <https://youtu.be/4sA3xSpaik0>

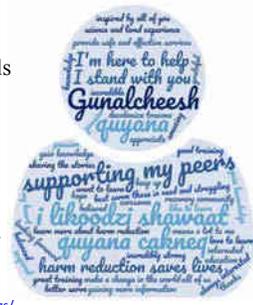
## Community Education

- The iknowmine Harm Reduction webpage now explores:
  - Impact of COVID-19 on substance use with appropriate follow-up resources
  - Importance of access to safer substance use tools
  - Stigma in harm reduction and substance use
  - Overview of Alaska laws related to substance use and harm reduction
  - Alaska harm reduction services and resources



## The Harm Reduction Webinar Training Series

- Goal: To support, inspire and learn from one another to increase the well-being of individuals in our communities.
- Topics covered in the training series included:
  - HIV 101
  - Harm Reduction 101
  - Stigma, Empathy and Trauma-Informed Care
  - Homelessness and Harm Reduction in the Times of COVID-19



Trainings on iknowmine.org: <https://www.iknowmine.org/harm-reduction-trainings/>  
 Trainings on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL14L0UMrF8IUmoQDWIAmDxb-fvZteaMT>

## Harm Reduction Tools

- Expanded the availability of harm reduction tools through mail-based program to individuals, as well as Tribal organizations and other non-profits

### Safer Substance Use



SAFE MEDICINE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS



OVERDOSE RESPONSE | NARCAN® KIT



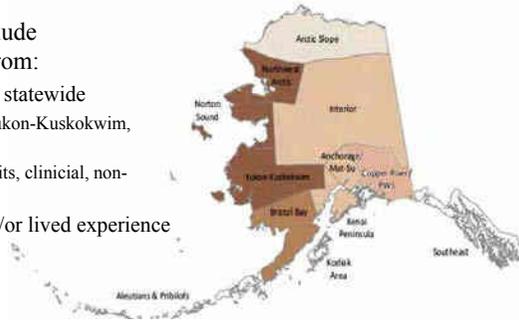
HARM REDUCTION KIT

## Harm Reduction Education

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## Alaska Drug User Harm Reduction Network

- Stakeholders include representatives from:
  - Multiple regions statewide
    - Southcentral, Yukon-Kuskokwim, Southeast, etc.
    - Tribal, non-profits, clinical, non-clinical, etc.
  - Professional and/or lived experience in substance use.



## Outcomes

Every activity exceeded expectations

- Harm Reduction 30-second PSA – 63,633 participants
- Harm Reduction Webinar Training Series – 4,177 participants
- Educational materials created and/or updated – 1,366 participants
- The iknowmine Harm Reduction tools ordered – 614 participants

Total number of participants reached or served: 69,790

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# ABOUT US

- Started in 2017 by person with lived experience, PWID
- “Backwards” harm reduction journey
- Statewide Advocacy and Policy Work
- Overdose Prevention & Education
- Naloxone Training & Distribution
- Syringe Services
- Mobile Wellness & Support
- HIV/HCV Connection to Care
- Peer & Family Support
- Service Navigation & Referral to Treatment
- SMART Support Groups
- Transportation Assistance

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# GEOGRAPHY

- NORTH CENTRAL IL
- MULTIPLE DRUG MARKETS
- LIMITED RESOURCES
- HIGH RATES OF DRUG USE
- HIGH RATES OF OVERDOSE & SUICIDE
- COVERING 2000+ SQUARE MILES
- SMALL TOWNS POPULATION BETWEEN 500-18,000
- PREDOMINATELY WHITE (92%), RURAL



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### PROJECT GOAL #1

Increase access to harm reduction services & supports during the COVID-19 pandemic by establishing a schedule of mobile entry points, no-contact delivery options & mail-based services. Proposed activities include establishing a mobile Recovery, Wellness & Prevention Unit by purchasing & outfitting a minivan to meet with & engage PWUD throughout the community; establishing a schedule of mobile service delivery entry points & drop-off days throughout a rural area spanning >2000 miles; expanding mail-based & mobile no-contact delivery services; & enhancing text-based requests.

Reduce & prevent overdose & overdose death by increasing distribution of naloxone to PWUD. Proposed activities include providing nasal naloxone drop-offs via mobile recovery unit; conducting text-based outreach to PWUD to inform them of mail-based & no-contact delivery options; posting harm reduction flyers to businesses where PWUD frequent; & providing overdose rescue kits, which include nasal naloxone, to businesses where PWUD frequent, including head shops & public restrooms in bars & gas stations.

### PROJECT GOAL #2



### PROJECT GOAL #3

Reduce & prevent COVID-19 among PWUD & PWSUD. Proposed activities include distributing PPE & “COVID-19 Care Kits,” which include over 20 personal hygiene items, via mobile drop-off & mail; & navigating PWUD & PWSUD to COVID-19 providers & testing resources via virtual peer support, phone support & text-based support.

Enhance outreach & increase linkage for PWUD to primary care, mental health services, evidence-based treatment for OUD & other SUDs; housing, employment & other social supports. Proposed activities include outfitting a mobile wellness vehicle with informational materials; enhancing digital content & social media material to provide no-contact list of resources; & navigating PWUD & PWSUD to COVID-19 testing resources via virtual peer support, phone support & text-based support.

### PROJECT GOAL #4



# KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- OUTFITTED VAN
- INCREASED OUTREACH & LINKAGE TO CARE
- COVID CARE KITS & RESOURCES
- NALOXONE, DRUG CHECKING, EXCHANGE AND DISPOSAL
- HEP C/HIV TESTING & PREVENTION
- CONTACTLESS OPTIONS, INCLUDING MAIL
- IPAD & LOCAL TEXT OPTION
- REMOTE ZOOM SUPPORT AVAILABLE



## Partners, Advisors & Program Support



# OUR TEAM

## Advisory

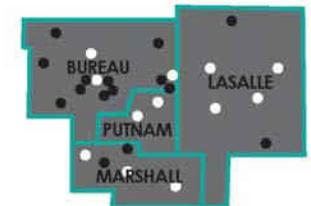
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- MARCO - Outreach
- RACHEL - Care Coordinator
- DIANE - Peer Support
- KIM - Program Manager
- Program Participants & Volunteers

## Local Networks



● = Coalition member location within the district/area  
○ = Sector Lease

# SUCCESSSES

- Outreach and engagement with participants exceeded expectation
- Successful feedback convening of local stakeholders
- Improved outreach to local leaders
- Grant administration was simple
- Some support amongst Law Enforcement
- Telehealth with local provider
- Successful text line



# IMPACT

**129**

New participants served

**72**

COVID-19 Care kits which include over 20 personal hygiene items delivered

**738**

Dose Narcan distributed in LaSalle, Bureau & Putnam counties

**72**

Individual ride assistance to treatment, jobs, and support meetings

# CHALLENGES & AREAS TO IMPROVE

- LIMITED LOCAL UNDERSTANDING OF HARM REDUCTION
- DIFFERING MINDSETS BETWEEN COMMUNITIES
- STIGMA AMONGST PROVIDERS
- MOST DRUG USE UNDERGROUND
- DIRECT REPORTS OF SURVEILLANCE
- MORE EDUCATION NEEDED
- SUSTAINABILITY
- DATA ANALYSIS & DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

**FIGHTERS  
UNDERDOGS  
PEOPLE WANTING CHANGE  
PEOPLE WANTING TO HELP  
HUMAN LIFE**

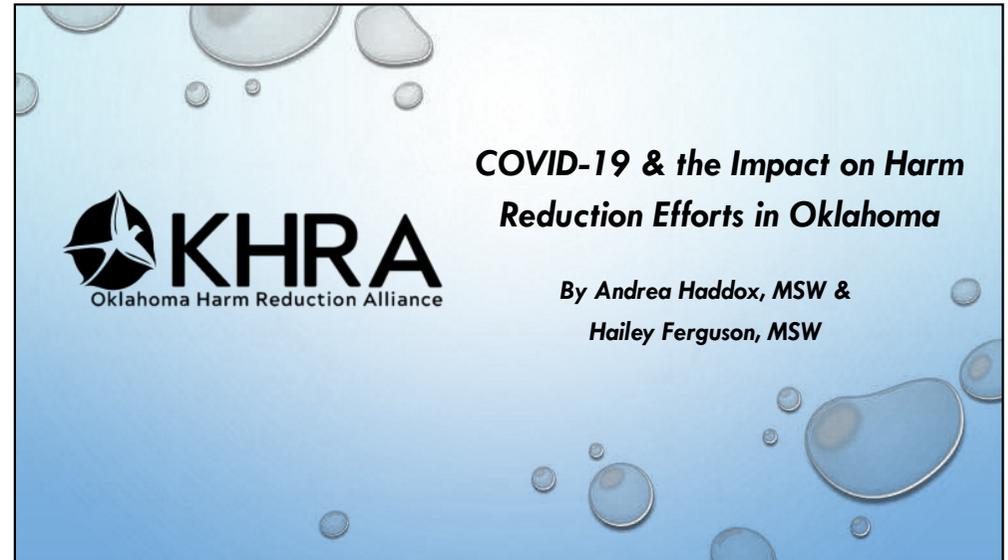
## THINGS WE HEAR

- Thank you for caring enough to help us, we have been having a very hard time with the local pharmacies not wanting to sell us clean supplies.
- We can't afford clean supplies so we have been sharing, now that we have them we can all get Hep C treatment at the same time and not have to worry about getting it again.
- I know of a girl that was desperate enough for syringes, she stole the used container from the hospital, I will let her know about your services.
- Having someone care enough about me & my health has started me thinking about changing my lifestyle. Can you help me find a detox?
- We have been talking for a long time about quitting, but we had no idea where to go for suboxone or who we could talk to about our drug use that wouldn't judge us. Thank you for connecting us. We are 30 days into the MAT program and doing good.
- Thank you for helping me find a doctor that treated me like a patient. I was treated so badly in our local ER for the last abscess that I wouldn't go back. She also helped me address some other health concerns that I would have not taken care of.
- Thank you so much for the ride to inpatient treatment. I want to get my life together so I can get back to my kids.

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!!  
HOW CAN WE SERVE THE COMMUNITY BETTER?

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240 1st Street LaSalle, IL**

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**KHRA**  
Oklahoma Harm Reduction Alliance

**COVID-19 & the Impact on Harm  
Reduction Efforts in Oklahoma**

*By Andrea Haddox, MSW &  
Hailey Ferguson, MSW*

## WHO WE ARE?

- THE OKLAHOMA HARM REDUCTION ALLIANCE IS A GRASSROOTS HARM REDUCTION ORGANIZATION THAT MEETS PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE THROUGH ADVOCACY, EDUCATION, POLICY REFORM, AND PROMOTING ACCESSIBLE HEALTH SERVICES. WE ARE COMMITTED TO ADVOCATING FOR OKLAHOMANS WHO USE SUBSTANCES WHILE IMPROVING THE PUBLIC HEALTH OF THE COMMUNITY THROUGH COMMUNITY-BASED OUTREACH, EDUCATION, AND COMMUNITY COLLABORATION. OKHRA WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2019 BY HAILEY AND ANDREA TO BETTER MEET THE NEEDS OF RURAL AND MARGINALIZED OKLAHOMANS WHO USE DRUGS.



## OKHRA'S INTERVENTION STRATEGY FOR COVID-19

- 11 NALOXONE TRAININGS SINCE FEBRUARY 2021, INCLUDING VIRTUAL TRAINING FOR PROVIDERS, ON-SITE TRAINING AT SYRINGE TAKE BACK EVENTS, AND SOCIAL MEDIA TRAINING FOR OKHRA'S MASSIVE SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWING.
- MOVED INTO AN OFFICE SPACE, HIRED 4 STAFF MEMBERS, AND STARTED DOING BI-WEEKLY OUTREACH EVENTS, OVERDOSE PREVENTION AND RESPONSE TRAININGS, AND CREATING COMMUNITY PARTNERS WITH H.O.P.E TESTING, STATE AND LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS, THINK SMART OKLAHOMA, CHEROKEE AND CREEK NATION, AMONG OTHER COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS.
- OKHRA DISTRIBUTED 444 DOSES OF NALOXONE AND 246 FENTANYL TEST STRIPS. FROM 2019 TO 2020, WE DISTRIBUTED 122 DOSES OF NALOXONE, MEANING OUR REQUESTS HAVE NEARLY QUADRUPLED
- PASSED SB 511 - DECRIMINALIZED THE DISTRIBUTION OF SYRINGES IN OKLAHOMA
- PROVIDED HARM REDUCTION SUPPLIES, NARCAN, FENTANYL TEST STRIPS, AND PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT TO 1,079 INDIVIDUALS IN THE PAST SIX MONTHS. OKHRA PROVIDED EACH PARTICIPANT 5-10 MASKS IN EACH PACKAGE, AS WELL AS HAND SANITIZER, GLOVES, AND OTHER HYGIENIC SUPPLIES THAT ENSURE CLIENT SAFETY.

## SENATE BILL 511 SIGNING



Yes, we were the only people wearing masks.



## CLIENT POPULATION SERVED



### RACE DEMOGRAPHICS

- 26% OF OUR CLIENTS IDENTIFY AS AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK
- 59% OF OUR CLIENTELE IDENTIFY AS WHITE
- 5% AS NATIVE
- 5% LATINO
- 3% ASIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER
- 3% OTHER

### GENDER DEMOGRAPHICS ARE

- 41% FEMALE
- 54% MALE
- 5% NON-BINARY

45% OF OUR MAIL-BASED CLIENTS WITNESSED AN OVERDOSE DURING THE PAST YEAR.

APPROXIMATELY 68% OF OKHRA'S MAIL-BASED CLIENTS ARE UNINSURED, WITH LITTLE TO NO ACCESS TO ADDICTION TREATMENT PROVIDERS IN THEIR COMMUNITY. WHEN ASKED WHY CLIENTS ARE CHOOSING TO ACCESS NARCAN THROUGH OKHRA'S ONLINE NEXT DISTRIBUTION PORTAL ([WWW.NEXTDISRTO.ORG/OKLAHOMA](http://WWW.NEXTDISRTO.ORG/OKLAHOMA)) CLIENTS HAD SIMILAR RESPONSES.

DURING OUR ORGANIZATION'S TENURE AS SHOTS TULSA, FROM 2018-2020, WE HELPED REVERSE OVER 250 OPIOID OVERDOSES IN OKLAHOMA. SINCE MARCH 2021, OKHRA HAS REVERSED 11 OVERDOSES AND WE HAVE DONATED NARCAN TO OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS AT THE HOPE INITIATIVE IN OKLAHOMA CITY TO REVERSE AN ADDITIONAL 28 OVERDOSES.

## HOW WE ACCOMPLISHED OUR GOALS FOR THIS GRANT

- **COMMUNITY BUILDING AND COLLABORATION.** EX. NEXT DISTRO, STATE AND LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS, ETC.
- **SOCIAL MEDIA.** PAID ADS, CONSISTENT POSTING, LINKS TO NEXT DISTRO POSTED WEEKLY, ETC.
- **OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY EVENTS.** SYRINGE TAKEBACKS, ONLINE TRAININGS, BI-WEEKLY OUTREACH, ETC.
- **FUNDRAISING.** HAILEY & ANDREA WORKED TOGETHER ON GRANT WRITING, FUNDRAISERS, AND CREATING NEW MERCHANDISE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR OKHRA'S OTHER PROGRAMS.
- **COMMUNITY ORGANIZING AND ADVOCACY.** OKHRA WORKED TIRELESSLY TO HELP PASS SB 511 TO LEGALIZE HARM REDUCTION SERVICES IN OUR STATE.



## PLAN TO CONTINUE

- VENDING MACHINE PROJECT
- FUNDRAISING
- CONTINUE OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH NEXT DISTRO
- SYRINGE DISPOSAL
- COMMUNITY IMPACT AND CLIENT SURVEYS
- POLICY PLANNING WITH NATIONAL HARM REDUCTION COALITION
- STRATEGIC PLANNING WITH A NON-PROFIT CONSULTANT
- COMMUNITY SUPPORT FROM YEARS OF RAPPORT BUILDING WITH CLIENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS
- COMMUNITY BUILDING AND COLLABORATION (TERENCE CRUTCHER FOUNDATION, HOPE, ETC.)

I LOVE  
PEOPLE  
WHO USE  
DRUGS

## QUESTIONS?

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## Additional Resources

- [Covid-19 Pandemic Impact on Harm Reduction Services: An Environmental Scan](#) (National Council for Mental Wellbeing)
- [National Council Harm Reduction Resources](#)
- [www.iknowmine.org](http://www.iknowmine.org) (Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium)
- [The Perfectly Flawed Foundation](#)
- [Oklahoma Harm Reduction Alliance](#)
- [Harm Reduction Technical Assistance Center](#) (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)

## Questions



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