New Mexico Opioid State Targeted Response (STR) Initiative

State Targeted Response Project Team
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**Director of Prevention Operations**  Karen Cheman, MPH, leads prevention activities and naloxone training and distribution to identified sites. Activities coordinated with larger initiative.

**Office of Peer Recovery and Engagement (OPRE)**  Mark Garnand support development of Peer Support Specialist training related to support of MAT for Opioid Use Disorder treatment (MAT Services Support Specialist).

**Children Youth and Families Department (CYFD)**  Michael Hock, leads expansion of trainings to support providers implementing MAT and providing OUD prevention, treatment and recovery activities.

Initiative Goals

- Develop a comprehensive response to the opioid epidemic
- Implement a coordinated and sustainable approach to opioid use disorder services expansion
- Expand opioid epidemic prevention services array
- Expand opioid use disorder treatment services array
- Expand opioid use disorder recovery services and supports
- Utilize an ongoing CQI framework
- To make systems improvements that will benefit a wide range of addictions and co-occurring treatment services
Core Initiative Performance Measures & Goals

- Provide Medication Assisted Treatment: 330 additional persons served per year (expansion of treatment)
  - [presentation about Medication Assisted Treatment today!]

- Naloxone distribution: 9,000 kits per year

- Recovery supports: 520 persons served per year

- Training to support project goals: 130 workforce trained (3,250 persons impacted by increased competence in OUD treatment)

Collaborative Hubs Model- Based on Hub & Spoke Model, Vermont.

- Creates a network of care that links resources throughout the state;
- Unifies all care agencies and providers under one umbrella standardize processes and procedures;
- Develops new resources to better meet service gaps and increase access to MAT services
- Imbeds OUD assessment and treatment in primary care settings
- Research & practice supporting its effectiveness as an effective model to support implementation of MAT
Works as an evidence-based Implementation Model

- Vermont has the highest capacity to treat OUD in the country
- Access to MAT services was increased by 50%
- Decreased emergency cost and ER utilization
- Retention in treatment increased to 77% (70% NA)
- Showed significant improvement in health outcomes and mortality
- Developed a cost saving plan with Medicaid programs to make MAT services sustainable (waiver programs)
- Integrated specialty care into primary care settings for better state-wide coverage of addiction treatment


Collaborative Hubs: Central Hub and Regional Hubs
Expansion of Medication Assisted Treatment

- **DATA 2000 Waiver**: Expansion of prescribers & expansion of eligible patients receiving MAT.

- **Some sites hosting related trainings** in DATA 2000 Waiver and Safer Opioid Prescribing.
Peer support, recovery, naloxone training, outreach, distribution

- Provide peer support for persons with OUD;
- Assist in expansion of OUD focused peer training/workforce;
- Participate in OSAP led efforts in naloxone distribution, training, outreach.

Media Campaign: A Dose of Reality (ADOR)

- An integrated public relations, social marketing, and advertising approach to educate and raise awareness about NM's opioid misuse and overdose problem
- Build awareness of the state's prevention, treatment, and recovery support services
- Create messages for the public that support and enhance the goals of those services.

https://www.doseofrealitynm.com
PAX Good Behavior Game

- Primary prevention strategy
- 1st grade
- Puts children on a trajectory that builds resiliency and thereby reduces SUDs.
- Includes implementation across 300 classrooms including tribal communities.
  - Currently implemented in Ch’ooshgai Community School in Tohatchi, NM (Navajo Nation)

[http://goodbehaviorgame.org](http://goodbehaviorgame.org)

The Game teaches students

- Cooperate/work toward valued goals with others
- Self-regulate
- Delay gratification
- Protects students against lifetime mental, emotional, behavioral, and related physical illnesses for their futures.
- Improves multiple measures of academic success (reading test scores, high school graduation and university entry).
First Tribal Communities Summit

- Approaches to OUD, substance misuse, addiction and treatment in tribal communities must begin in culturally congruent manners
- Begin with an understanding of historical context, community readiness and community engagement.
- Bring together tribal communities, agencies, and leadership to discuss impacts of substance use disorders (SUD), including opioid use disorders (OUD) on tribal communities.
- Needs of tribal communities for SUD e.g. addiction, treatment, and prevention & provide information about available resources to address these within STR initiative and more broadly.

Tribal Summit Planning Committee

- Teresa Gomez, UNM CBH
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- Flor Cano-Soto, NM STR
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- Judge Roman Duran, Nambe Pueblo & Lt Governor, Tesuque Pueblo
Thank You!