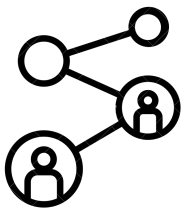


OD2A: LOCAL NEWSLETTER

Dec 2024

OD2A: Focus on Data

November was a busy month for OD2A grantees as we continue to meet CDC grant deliverables and serve Marion County.



152 referrals to community resources (such as shelter, food pantries, clothing pantry etc)



2,315 Naloxone doses distributed to agencies/individuals



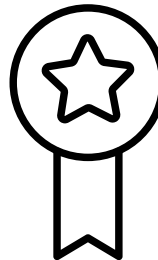
785 mouth shields distributed to agencies/individuals



39 referrals to treatment/services



29 Naloxone trainings held across Marion County



3271 Fentanyl test strips distributed.



The OD2A: Local hosted a door-to-door overdose prevention outreach event in late November in the 46201 zip code. The event was made possible by the support and volunteers from the Damien Center, Step Up, Indiana Fairbanks School of Public Health, Adult and Child Health, and AmeriCorps and the Marion County Public Health Department. The Westminster Neighborhood Center (2325 E. New York St) provided a centralized location for volunteers to meet and gather supplies. Going door-to-door, volunteers provided information on overdose prevention and response, informed residents about local resources, and distributed naloxone and additional information. Additional volunteers picked up trash along the streets.

588 homes were visited, with approximately 25% of residents speaking with volunteers. 200 doses of Naloxone were distributed. In addition, 160 bags of trash were collected by the volunteers that conducted the street clean up.

Summarizing the event, Madison Weintraut, the administrator for the Safe Syringe Access and Support program at MCPHD, commented *“The turnout to this event showed not only the level of care and service our team delivers, but also that there is an underlying eagerness in our community to help our neighbors. We hope to continue to channel this positive energy in future outreach.”*

WTHR attended the event and shared information about the event on their evening news in a [brief segment](#).


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SAMSHA has created a [practical guide](#) to provide key considerations for healthcare providers in the appropriate use of 988 and 911. The guide offers practical steps for integrating crisis care into daily practice, real world scenarios, sample scripts, and de-escalation techniques. The guide attempts to address confusion that providers might have on what services 988 [offers](#) and how to determine which hotline is most appropriate to meet their patient's needs.

IDOH: Free Naloxone Training

The Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) is providing free virtual [Naloxone training](#) for first responders and for the general public as well. The trainings will cover the basics of the opioid epidemic, statistics, stigma reduction, and how to administer Naloxone during a suspected overdose.

The training is free for anyone and can be accessed [here](#).



Beyond Substance Podcast

In the 5th episode of season 2, Beyond Substance delves into the connection between Hepatitis C and substance use disorder.

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Overdose To Data Action Grant

The CDC implemented the Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) cooperative agreement in 2019 to address the raising rates of fatal and non-fatal overdoses in the United States. OD2A focuses on understanding and tracking the complex and changing nature of the drug overdose crisis by seamlessly integrating data and prevention strategies. In August 2023, CDC awarded new five-year cooperative agreements to 90 jurisdictions including Marion County.

OD2A recipients focus on:

- Address the evolving epidemiology of the drug overdose crisis.
- Close identified gaps in prevention activities.
- Apply lessons learned from the previous OD2A funding opportunity.
- Reflect the differing roles and spheres of influence state and local health departments and their partners have.