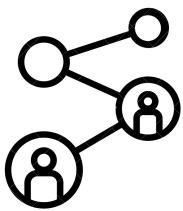


OD2A: LOCAL NEWSLETTER

June 2025

OD2A: Focus on Data

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



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



5,079 Naloxone doses distributed to agencies/individuals



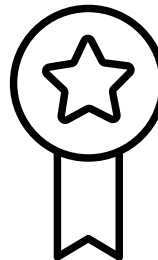
532 mouth shields distributed to agencies/individuals



70 referrals to treatment/services



37 Naloxone trainings held across Marion County



3,343 Fentanyl test strips distributed.



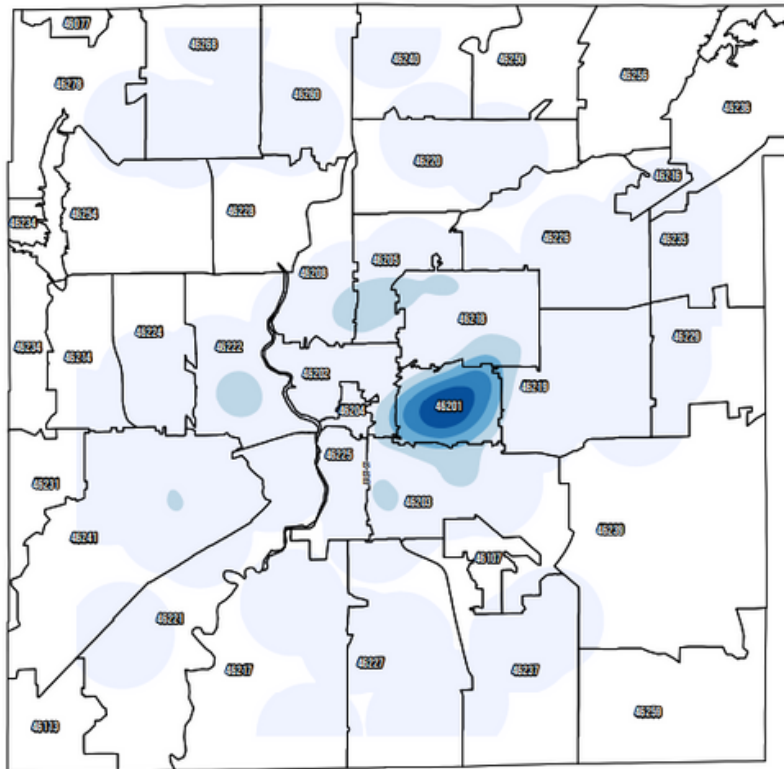
On May 2, 2025, multiple community partners came together to volunteer for the *Be A Good Neighbor* event.

The event was an effort of multiple organizations, including the Marion County Public Health Department, Step Up, and Damien Center. Volunteers worked as teams to conduct door-to-door community outreach that promoted harm reduction, Naloxone awareness, and other health-related topics including HIV and Hepatitis C testing. Below is a quick summary of the work completed.

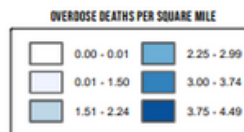
Indicator	Total
Number of housing units attempted	440
Number of interactions with people	111
Number of naloxone doses distributed	121
Number of individuals who received naloxone	39
Number of FTS distributed	82
Number of XTS distributed	44
Number of people given FTS	22
Number of people given XTS	21
Number of yard signs placed	29
Number of sharp containers distributed	20
Number of businesses given materials	4

Density Analysis of Suspected Fatal Overdoses, Q1 2025

DENSITY ANALYSIS OF INCIDENT LOCATIONS OF SUSPECTED ACCIDENTAL OVERDOSE DEATHS (BY MARION COUNTY ZIPCODE - QUARTER 1, 2025)



ALL DATA IN THIS ANALYSIS WAS COLLECTED AND PROVIDED BY THE MARION COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE



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The Epidemiology team at MCPHD released the density analysis of suspected accidental fatal overdoses for Marion County for the first quarter of 2025 (January - March). All cases included in this report are suspected overdose deaths. These deaths are still under investigation by the MCCO and are subject to change as toxicology reports are completed. Confirmed statistics will be included in the MCCO's next annual report.

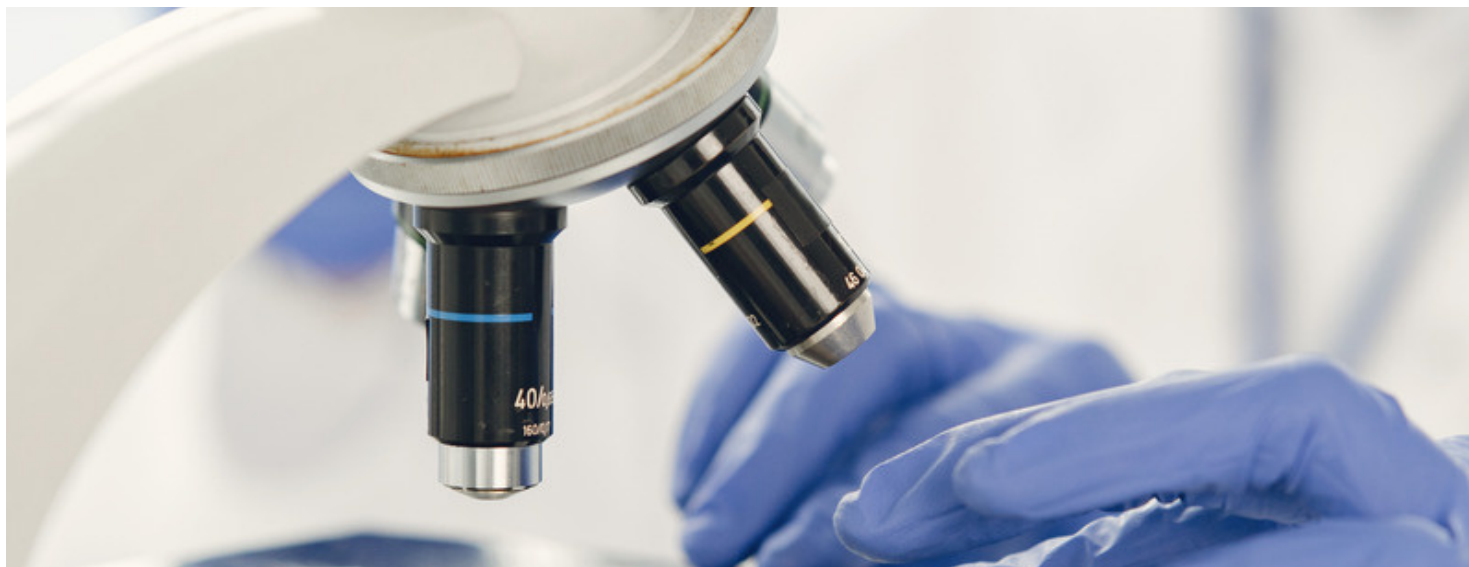
In the first quarter of 2025 fatal overdoses were clustered in the 46201 zip code while in the previous two quarters (Q3 2024 and Q4 2024) suspected fatal overdoses were less clustered. Density analysis provides useful insight into the shifting trends and can serve as a tool for community outreach efforts.

Additional information and previous maps are available on the MCPHD [webpage](#).



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The OD2A syringe surveillance initiative tests submitted syringes to identify what substances were present on the syringe. Syringe surveillance is one way to monitor what substances are currently present and to identify emerging substances as they become more common in the community.

The OD2A syringe surveillance team has identified an increase in carfentanil, medetomidine, and BTMPS throughout Q1 2025 in Marion County.

- **Carfentanil** is a synthetic opioid estimated to be 10,000 times more potent than morphine and 100 times more potent than fentanyl.
- **BTMPS** is used as a stabilizer to protect plastic materials and was first detected in December 2024.
- **Medetomidine** is a surgical anesthetic estimated to be 200 times more potent than Xylazine.

To receive quarterly reports from the OD2A Epidemiology team on emerging substances, use the QR code below.





**Integrating Multisector Partnerships to
Advance Coordinated Treatment**

One of our OD2A-Local partners, InStep, Inc. (<https://www.instepindy.org/>), is an organization representing individuals from 200+ multisector organizations across the state, primarily in Central Indiana. Their mission is to increase communication and the sharing of best practices for care transition and care coordination for individuals experiencing substance use disorder.

InStep is hosting a full-day, in-person conference at the Indianapolis Central Library on July 8th. The conference is called Integrating Multisector Partnerships to Advance Coordinated Treatment (IMPACT). They partnered with the Indiana University School of Medicine to offer up to five hours of continuing education (CE) for all attendees. The CE types offered include those for MD, NP/RN, MSW/LCSW, PharmD, and general (peer support, public health).

There will be a nominal registration fee of \$25 to attend. Registration includes CE, garage parking, light breakfast, and a boxed lunch. Registration will open soon, and a link will be provided. InStep also hosts free virtual trainings monthly, and anyone is welcome to attend. If you'd like to be added to their mailing list, just send an email to Tammie McCaskill at Tammie@InStepIndy.org.

MCCO/MCPHD Fatal Overdose Quarterly Report

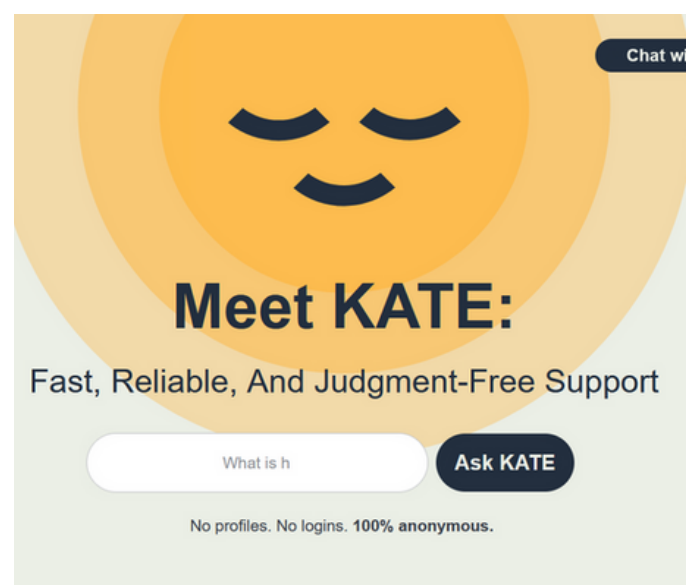


The latest quarterly report on fatal overdoses in Marion County is available [online](#). The joint effort from the [Marion County Coroner’s Office](#) and the Marion County Public Health Department provides timely information on the on-going overdose epidemic. The new report covers the first quarter of 2025, January - March.

New Chatbot for Overdose and Harm Reduction Education

[Overdose Lifeline](#) has created a new Chatbot named [KATE](#) that provides anonymous access to health information on harm reduction and overdose prevention.

The Chatbot is free, available online, and completely anonymous. KATE utilizes trusted health information resources including the CDC and the FDA to answer questions and connect users to services.



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.