

County of San Diego Strategies to Address Illicit Fentanyl as a Public Health Crisis December 13, 2022

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Strategy A: Conduct Overdose Prevention Education		Current Activities and Funding
Objective A1:	Increase awareness through messaging about the changing illicit drug supply, risks for overdose, and risk reduction strategies, particularly among people who use drugs (PWUD) Implementation Timeline: Spring 2023	Activities: Current Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) activities support this effort: OD2A Strategy 4: Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and OD2A Strategy 5: Integration of Local and State Prevention and Response Efforts. OD2A Strategy 4 activities include increasing awareness about overdose risk and prevention among prescribers. OD2A Strategy 5 activities include the development and dissemination of educational materials and implementation of the naloxone education and distribution services contract. Additionally, existing SABG funds will be used to conduct awareness and education sessions about illicit fentanyl and naloxone for youth and parents. Funding Sources: OD2A, Realignment, and SABG funds
Strategy B: Expand Naloxone Distribution Program		Current Activities and Funding
Objective B1:	Increase the number of naloxone vending machines to be placed throughout the county (likely at least 4 additional machines) Implementation Timeline: Identify exact number of machines to be purchased and placement by June 30, 2023 (based on overdose mortality data, input from community organizations, and other measures of demand); install machines by June 30, 2024.	Activities: Current <i>OD2A Strategy 5: Integration of Local and State Prevention and Response Efforts</i> activities include the purchase and placement of 12 vending machines throughout County of San Diego by June 30, 2023. Funding Sources: OD2A
Objective B2:	Expand Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Leave Behind Naloxone Programs throughout San Diego County Implementation Timeline: December 1, 2023	Activities: San Diego County EMS Office, in support of the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Naloxone Distribution Project (NDP), has authorized the distribution of Leave Behind naloxone kits and education to 9-1-1 callers. Through this program, San Diego County paramedic agencies are to provide naloxone to those who would benefit following an emergency patient contact. Efforts to promote and encourage



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Strategy C: I	ntervene Early with Individuals at Highest Risk for Overdose	participation countywide was initiated in July 2022 and is ongoing. Funding Sources: DHCS provides free naloxone for distribution to participating EMS providers via funding provided by the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Current activities and funding
Objective C1:	Expand linkage to care efforts to include peer specialist service model that offers outreach and engagement to individuals who recently experienced a non-fatal overdose. Implementation Timeline: August 30, 2023	Activities: Current OD2A Strategy 6: Establishing Linkages to Care activities include efforts to integrate coordination services within emergency rooms. Funding Source: OD2A
Strategy D: 1 Response	mprove Detection of Overdose Outbreaks to Facilitate More Effective	Current activities and funding
Objective D1:	Expand the County of San Diego's (County's) overdose data and surveillance infrastructure by exploring opportunities to increase dedicated resources to allow for real-time analysis and rapid response to potential drug-related outbreaks and spikes.	Activities: Current <i>OD2A Strategy 3: Innovative Surveillance</i> activities include efforts to enhance syndromic opioid detection and surveillance reports to better inform and align with the County's overdose prevention efforts. Additionally, efforts to implement ODMAP countywide are underway.
	Implementation Timeline: Establish a dedicated resource to facilitate and support countywide integration of an Overdose Mapping and Application Program by Summer 2023.	Funding Source: OD2A
Objective D2:	Integrate and implement drug checking services into the County's existing regional Syringe Services Program planning work	Activities: Current OD2A Strategy 5: Integration of Local and State Prevention and Response Efforts deliverables include distribution of fentanyl test strips via the naloxone distribution contract Funding Source: OD2A
	Implementation Timeline: Explore development of drug checking service model into the existing County-sponsored Harm Reduction Services Program by Spring 2023	